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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**
2 **TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2011 BEGINS ON PAGE 217]**

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THE MEETING OF THE AUGUST 9TH,
8 2011 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. FIRST
9 WILL BE LED IN PRAYER BY RABBI MARK GOLDFARB OF THE TEMPLE
10 BETH OHR FROM LA MIRADA. THE PLEDGE BY SAMUEL CASTRELLON, POST
11 COMMANDER OF POST NUMBER 176 OF THE SAN FERNANDO AMERICAN
12 LEGION. IF THE AUDIENCE WILL PLEASE RISE, RABBI?

13

14 **RABBI MARK GOLDFARB:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE INVITATION TO
16 BE WITH YOU. THIS MORNING, IT IS TRULY MY HONOR. THE PROPHET
17 ISAIAH TEACHES US "SHARE YOUR BREAD WITH THE HUNGRY AND WHEN
18 YOU SEE THE NAKED, GIVE CLOTHING. DO NOT IGNORE YOUR OWN KIN.
19 IF YOU BANISH THE MENACING HAND, THE EVIL SPEECH IF YOU OFFER
20 COMPASSION AND UNDERSTANDING, THEN YOUR LIGHT SHALL SHINE IN
21 DARKNESS." THUS SPOKE THE PROPHET OVER 2,500 YEARS AGO AND HOW
22 TRUE HIS WORDS ARE TODAY. THERE IS A DARKNESS THAT PERVADES
23 OUR COMMUNITY. HATRED AND INTOLERANCE ABOUNDS. WE FACE A
24 NUMBER OF CHALLENGES: ECONOMIC CHALLENGES. THERE ARE THOSE OF
25 US WHO HUNGER FOR FOOD, FOR JOBS AND FOR HOPE. ALL AROUND US



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1 ARE THOSE WHO ARE NAKED, WITHOUT SHELTER, PROTECTION OR
2 RESOURCES. AND SO LET US PRAY. CREATOR OF THE UNIVERSE, SOURCE
3 OF ALL LIFE, WE HAVE CALLED YOU BY MANY NAMES AND HAVE FOUND
4 YOU THROUGH THE DIVERSE AND DIFFERENT PATHS OF OUR RESPECTIVE
5 RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL TRADITIONS. MAY OUR HEARTS AND MINDS
6 BE OPEN TO YOUR PRESENCE THIS DAY. TEACH US TO GIVE THANKS FOR
7 WHAT WE HAVE BY SHARING IT WITH THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED. KEEP
8 OUR EYES OPEN TO THE WONDERS OF YOUR CREATION AND ALERT TO THE
9 CARE OF THE EARTH. MAY WE NEVER BE LAZY IN THE WORK OF PEACE.
10 MAY WE HONOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED IN DEFENSE OF OUR LAND AND
11 OUR IDEALS. MAY OUR LEADERS FIND THROUGH YOUR PRESENCE WISDOM,
12 STRENGTH AND COURAGE SO THAT THEY MAY GOVERN WITH JUSTICE AND
13 COMPASSION, SO THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MIGHT BE AN
14 EXAMPLE, A PLACE WHERE THE HUNGRY WILL BE FED, THE NAKED
15 CLOTHED AND SHELTERED. HELP US TO APPRECIATE ONE ANOTHER, TO
16 SEE EACH OTHER NOT AS OBSTACLES ON OUR PATHS BUT RATHER AS
17 YOUR CREATION AND OUR BROTHER AND SISTER. MAY WE COME TO
18 RESPECT THE MANY AND VARIED WAYS THROUGH WHICH WE SERVE YOU. I
19 INVITE YOU TO SILENTLY ADD YOUR CONCLUSION TO THIS PRAYER. AND
20 LET US SAY AMEN.

21

22 **SAMUEL CASTRELLON:** GOOD MORNING. IF YOU ARE A VETERAN YOU MAY
23 EXECUTE HAND SALUTE DURING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, EVERYBODY
24 ELSE PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART. READY, BEGIN
25 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES
5 AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF
6 APPRECIATION TO RABBI GOLDFARB. HE IS THE RABBI OF TEMPLE BETH
7 OHR IN LA MIRADA. IN 1991 HE RECEIVED HIS ORDINATION FROM THE
8 HEBREW UNION COLLEGE IN CINCINNATI, OHIO. HAS SERVED
9 CONGREGATIONS IN TEXAS, MICHIGAN, OHIO, AND CALIFORNIA. HE HAS
10 WORKED AS CHAPLAIN FOR HOSPICE, SENIOR CARE CENTERS, PRISONS,
11 AND HOSPITALS. HE'S A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF
12 AMERICAN RABBIS AS WELL AS THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JEWISH
13 CHAPLAINS. HE'S MARRIED TO DEBORAH WHO I ALSO HAVE THE
14 PLEASURE OF KNOWING WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
15 JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER LONG BEACH IN WEST ORANGE COUNTY.
16 THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN. SO I'D LIKE TO PRESENT MY PERSONAL
17 THANKS TO RABBI GOLDFARB FOR TAKING THE TIME OUT OF HIS VERY
18 BUSY SCHEDULE TO COME JOIN US FOR AN INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WERE LED IN THE
23 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING BY SAMUEL CASTRELLON WHO IS
24 REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN LEGION SAN FERNANDO POST NUMBER 176.
25 HE IS A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, HE'S A PAST



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1 COMMANDER OF THE POST. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE
2 CORPS FROM 1971 THROUGH '82 OBTAINING THE RANK OF CORPORAL. HE
3 WAS STATIONED WITH THE THIRD TANK BATTALION AT CAMP SCHWAB IN
4 OKINAWA. HE IS A PLANT MANAGER FOR THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED
5 SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE'S BEEN MARRIED TO HIS WIFE, MARIA FOR 28
6 YEARS WITH THREE CHILDREN AND HE'S LIVED IN OUR DISTRICT FOR
7 50 YEARS. A GRADUATE OF SAN FERNANDO HIGH SCHOOL, TIGERS. AND,
8 SAMUEL, WE THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING
9 AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY.

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11 **SAMUEL CASTRELLON:** THANK YOU, SIR, MY PLEASURE.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE WILL BEGIN THE AGENDA.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE
17 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ITEM 1-D.
18 THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA.
21 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
24 HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 6-H. ON ITEM UMBER. 2-H,
25 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS



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1 ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 4-H, I WILL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR
2 THE RECORD. THIS IS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S RECOMMENDATION TO
3 ADOPT A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT BY THE HOUSING
4 AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE BOND FINANCING FOR COMPTON SENIOR
5 APARTMENTS LP IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED 12 MILLION DOLLARS TO
6 FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPTON SENIOR
7 APARTMENTS. ON ITEM NUMBER 5-H, THIS IS ALSO THE HOUSING
8 AUTHORITY'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
9 THE ISSUANCE OF MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS BY
10 THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
11 11,974,000 DOLLARS TO ASSIST TERRA BELLA LP IN FINANCING THE
12 SITE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A 65-UNIT MULTI-FAMILY
13 RENTAL HOUSING PROJECT. SO ITEMS NUMBER 1-H THROUGH 6-H WITH
14 THE EXCEPTION OF 2-H, WHICH IS BEING HELD BY THE PUBLIC, IS
15 BEFORE YOU.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
18 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 7, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
21 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM NUMBER 1-P.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 8, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS NUMBER
2 1 THROUGH 10. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
3 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 4,
4 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
5 ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 7, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM
6 THE VOTE. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
10 SECONDED BY MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINING ON ITEM 7. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 11
14 THROUGH 33. ON ITEM NUMBER 13, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
15 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT ITEM?

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 13. ON ITEM NUMBER 19 THERE'S A REQUEST
20 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER
21 20, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
22 ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 23, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
23 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 27, AS
24 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF PROBATION
25 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS



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1 DEPARTMENT. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE
2 BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 19, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION,
8 ITEMS 34 AND 35, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLES IN FOR THE
9 RECORD. ON ITEM NUMBER 34, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
10 INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION,
11 TITLE 5, PERSONNEL AND TITLE 6, SALARIES, RELATING TO THE
12 ADDITION, DELETION AND/OR CHANGING OF CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS,
13 THE NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO
14 IMPLEMENT THE FINDINGS OF THE CLASSIFICATION STUDIES. THIS
15 ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
18 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 35, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
21 INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION,
22 TO ADD A SECTION TO DEFINE A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
23 HOUSING COMMISSION AS A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN
24 APPOINTED. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
25 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NUMBER 36,



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1 WE WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
2 AGENDA WHICH--

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** EXCUSE ME. I THOUGHT THAT WOULD BE CONTINUED A
5 WEEK? NO?

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 36? I DON'T HAVE A RECORD OF
8 IT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE A CONTINUANCE.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. I'M HOLDING THAT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO CONTINUE IT A
15 WEEK, NO?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'M HOLDING IT.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 21, MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE
20 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
21 MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
22 NUMBER 37-A, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR A DISCUSSION WITH ITEM
23 S-1. ON ITEM NUMBER 37-B, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
24 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 37-C, THERE'S A
25 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON PAGE



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1 24, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ON ITEM NUMBER CS-4, THE CHIEF
2 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
3 WEEK TO AUGUST 16TH, 2011.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** CS-4?

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CS-4.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
13 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
14 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 4.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M
19 GOING TO BE ASKED TO BE JOINED UP HERE BY RICHARD STEINKE THE
20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PORT OF LONG BEACH, COMMISSIONERS
21 NICK CERAMIC AND DOUG DRUMMOND AND OTHER LONG BEACH PORT
22 STAFF. TODAY, WE ARE RECOGNIZING THE PORT FOR A VERY IMPORTANT
23 MILESTONE. WE'RE CELEBRATING THEIR 100TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY. IN
24 JUNE OF 1911, THE PORT OF LONG BEACH RECEIVED ITS FIRST
25 SHIPMENT OF LUMBER FROM THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. TODAY THE PORT



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1 IS A MAJOR GATEWAY FOR U.S. ASIAN TRADE SUSTAINING OVER 1.4
2 MILLION JOBS AND MOVING OVER 140 BILLION DOLLARS IN TRADE EACH
3 AND EVERY YEAR. AND TRULY ONE OF OUR GREAT ECONOMIC ENGINES
4 HERE, NOT ONLY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE STATE BUT
5 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THROUGH THEIR GREEN PORT POLICY
6 AND CLEAN AIR ACTION PLAN, THE PORT HAS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED
7 THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSOCIATED; THE PORT IS ALSO
8 INVESTING IN ITS INFRASTRUCTURE IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE
9 EFFICIENCY OF GOODS MOVEMENT, REDUCE CONGESTION AND REMAIN
10 COMPETITIVE IN THE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE. THE PORT IS RECOGNIZED,
11 AS WE ALL KNOW, INTERNATIONALLY AS A PREMIER SEAPORT AND
12 LOCALLY AS A PARTNER DEDICATED TO HELPING OUR COMMUNITIES
13 THRIVE. SO ON BEHALF OF THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, OUR 10
14 MILLION PLUS RESIDENTS, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND OUR GREAT
15 NATION, WE WANT TO JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION OF THE PORT OF LONG
16 BEACH'S 100TH BIRTHDAY AND SAY HAPPY BIRTHDAY. [APPLAUSE.] ALL
17 RIGHT. SO RICHARD STEINKE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS GOING SAY A
18 FEW WORDS. BUT AS LONG AS HE'S GOING TO TALK, I WANT TO GIVE
19 YOU SOMETHING ELSE TO TALK ABOUT. I ALSO HAVE A SCROLL HERE
20 FOR MR. STEINKE. THIS IS A SPECIAL PRESENTATION. HE DIDN'T
21 KNOW IT WAS COMING TODAY. BUT RICHARD CAME TO THE PORT IN 1990
22 AND WAS APPOINTED TO HIS CURRENT POST IN 1997 BY THE BOARD OF
23 HARBOR COMMISSIONER. HE HAS DIRECTED THIS PORT IN LAUNCHING
24 THE PIONEER ENVIRONMENTAL GREEN PORT POLICY THAT I TALKED
25 ABOUT EARLIER, INCLUDING THE REDEVELOPMENT OF A 500-ACRE



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1 FORMER LONG BEACH NAVAL COMPLEX AND TERMINAL ISLAND INTO
2 SHIPPING TERMINALS TO HANDLE THE GROWING CARGO DEMANDS. HE IS
3 CHAIRMAN OR WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PORT
4 AUTHORITIES, ALLIANCE OF OVER 150 PORTS IN THE UNITED STATES,
5 CANADA, AND LATIN AMERICA. I SERVED WITH HIM ON THE ALAMEDA
6 CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, THE INTERMODAL CONTAINER
7 TRANSFER FACILITY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY, THE HARBOR
8 ASSOCIATION OF _____ COMMERCE. SO WE JUST WANT TO TAKE A
9 MOMENT WHILE WE'RE CELEBRATING THE PORT'S 100TH BIRTHDAY,
10 RICHARD WILL BE RETIRING HERE SOON. WE WANTED TO TAKE THIS
11 OPPORTUNITY BECAUSE WE KNOW WE MAY NOT HAVE MANY MORE TIMES TO
12 GET HIM DOWN HERE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE. I WISH
13 YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST. GOOD HEALTH AND GOD'S SPEED ON YOUR
14 RETIREMENT AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE
15 PORT OF LONG BEACH, THE CITIZENS OF LONG BEACH AND OUR GREAT
16 COUNTY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **RICHARD STEINKE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD
19 OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS, WE'RE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THIS
20 RECOGNITION IN OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY. WE STARTED WITH VERY
21 HUMBLE BEGINNINGS IN 1911 WHEN THE FIRST LUMBER SHIP CAME TO
22 BUILD WHAT WAS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S HOUSING INDUSTRY. AND
23 WE'VE GROWN INTO THE INTERNATIONAL PORT THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE
24 REFERENCED. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE ESPECIALLY FOR
25 HIS REPRESENTATION OF THE PORT OF LONG BEACH OVER THE MANY



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1 YEARS THAT HE'S REPRESENTED US, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREAS OF 4A
2 HOMELAND SECURITY AND HIS MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE ON
3 ALAMEDA CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO
4 CONTINUING THE GOOD WORK OF THE PORT OF LONG BEACH INTO THE
5 NEXT CENTURY, AND WE APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION FROM THE BOARD
6 OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WANT TO BRING UP ANTHONY BALTA
9 OF VALENCIA HIGH SCHOOL WHERE HE PLAYED BASEBALL AND HE WAS
10 ONE OF 30 STUDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES WHO WAS CHOSEN FOR THE
11 SOPHOMORES MAX PREPS SOPHOMORE ALL-AMERICAN BASEBALL TEAM. HE
12 WAS ALSO THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER BY THE FOOTHILL LEAGUE AND
13 WAS THE CIF SOUTHERN SECTION DIVISION 1 FIRST TEAMER. AND WHAT
14 HE HAD ACCOMPLISHED DURING THIS SEASON, HE BATTED .425. HE HAD
15 11 HOME RUNS, 37 HITS, 36 RUNS AND 25 RBIS. AND IT'S A GREAT
16 ACCOMPLISHMENT. I KNOW TOMMY LASORDA AND MICHAEL SCIOSCIA
17 WOULD BOTH LIKE TO HAVE HIM IN THEIR RADAR SCREEN TO EITHER
18 HELP THE ANGELS OR THE DODGERS WHO BOTH NEED HELP AT THIS TIME
19 IN THE FORTHCOMING YEAR. [LAUGHTER.] SO CONGRATULATIONS.
20 [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **ANTHONY BALTA:** I'M A.J. BALTA. MY FAMILY HERE, THIS IS MY
23 FATHER HENRY BALTA. HE WORKS FOR THE COUNTY. MY MOM LILLIANA
24 BALTA AND MY SISTER VICTORIA BALTA. SHE ATTENDS YALE



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1 UNIVERSITY AND SHE JUST FINISHED HER FRESHMAN YEAR. THAT'S MY
2 FAMILY. [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE SYBIL BRAND INSTITUTIONAL
5 INSPECTIONS COMMISSION WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD BACK IN
6 1959. AND THEY INCLUDED THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF HAVING
7 INSPECTIONS OF OUR GROUP HOMES, JAILS, LOCKUPS, PROBATION AND
8 CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AT ALL OF THE COUNTY FACILITIES ONCE A
9 YEAR. THEY'RE CONDUCTED TO ENSURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THOSE
10 FACILITIES' ECONOMICAL, ADMINISTRATION, CLEANICALLINESS AND
11 COMFORT OF THE RESIDENTS. LAST YEAR, THEY HAD 328 SITE
12 INSPECTIONS. THIS YEAR THEY HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED 207 SITE
13 INSPECTIONS. IT'S TO ENHANCE THE LIFE OF THOSE WHO ARE
14 INCARCERATED, LIVING UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION OR ASSIGNED TO A
15 GROUP HOME ENVIRONMENT. SINCE 2007, THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION
16 HAS AWARDED BOTH YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS TO ASSIST
17 THEM IN THEIR PURSUIT TO FURTHER EDUCATION. TO DATE, THEY'VE
18 AWARDED 13 SUCH SCHOLARSHIPS. THIS YEAR, WE WOULD SELECT THE
19 FOLLOWING THREE VERY DESERVING STUDENTS. TALATHEA SHERRY SHARA
20 JAMES. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] SHE'LL BE GOING TO CAL
21 STATE FULLERTON. SEFORA ABUI. [APPLAUSE.] SHE'S GOING TO BE
22 GOING TO AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, ONE OF OUR GREAT
23 UNIVERSITIES. AND GEORGEINA VASQUEZ. [APPLAUSE.] SHE'S GOING
24 TO BE GOING TO CAL STATE LOS ANGELES, MY OLD ALMA MATER. SAY A
25 FEW WORDS.



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2 **SPEAKER:** I WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE SYBIL BRAND RECIPIENTS AND
3 THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND WE'RE REALLY PROUD OF
4 THESE YOUNG WOMEN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] THIS IS A
5 MINIATURE POODLE MIX. LITTLE BOY, HE'S FIVE MONTHS OLD. AND
6 HIS NAME IS SCOOPY. AND HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. AND HE'S VERY
7 FLUFFY. ANYWAY, LITTLE SCOOPY. OR YOU'RE WATCHING AT HOME,
8 562-728-4644. LITTLE SCOOPY, LITTLE BUTTER BALL. LIKE A BALL
9 OF COTTON. SEE ANYBODY OUT THERE? OKAY.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I DO
12 HAVE A FEW ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
13 OF A SON OF A VERY GOOD FRIEND, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JONAS
14 KELSALL. HE WAS ONE OF 30 NAVY SEALS WHO WAS KILLED IN
15 AFGHANISTAN THIS PAST WEEKEND. HE WAS ONLY 33 YEARS OLD. HE
16 WAS A NATIVE OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, RECEIVED MOST OF HIS
17 TRAINING IN SAN DIEGO. HE WAS ONE OF THE VERY FIRST MEMBERS OF
18 SEAL TEAM 6, AND WE REMEMBER WHAT MANY MEMBERS OF THAT TEAM
19 DID RECENTLY WITH OSAMA BIN LADEN. HE ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY
20 OF TEXAS AFTER GETTING OUT OF BASIC UNDERWATER TRAINING WHERE
21 HE MET HIS WIFE. AND WE ARE GRATEFUL, OBVIOUSLY, FOR HIS
22 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE
23 FAMILY DURING THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME. AND TO THE FAMILIES OF
24 ALL OF OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL THAT WERE TRAGICALLY KILLED THIS
25 WEEKEND. JONAS IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF THREE YEARS,



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1 VICTORIA AND HIS PARENTS, JOHN AND TERRY. JOHN, HIS FATHER,
2 WAS SO PROUD OF JONAS, AND JOHN IS THE CEO OF THE GREATER
3 LAKEWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I EXCHANGED EMAILS WITH HIM
4 YESTERDAY. YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT HE TALKED ABOUT,
5 HE WAS JUST FINDING OUT HIS FATHER, WHO TALKED ABOUT JONAS
6 EVERY CHANCE THAT HE GOT, BUT HE EARNED AT LEAST THREE BRONZE
7 STARS, HAD A LEGION OF MERIT AWARD THAT HE NEVER TOLD HIS
8 PARENTS ABOUT. WE'VE GOT A LOT TO LEARN, THEY SAID, FROM HIS
9 SEAL BUDDIES. ANYWAY, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE TIME TO SHARE A CUP
10 OF COFFEE TOGETHER. BUT THEY ARE OBVIOUSLY TRAUMATIZED BY THIS
11 TRAGIC TURN OF EVENTS. SO OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO WITH THE
12 ENTIRE FAMILY AND THE GREATER LAKEWOOD FAMILY AS WELL, TOO,
13 WHO I KNOW WHO ARE TRYING TO DEAL AND GIVE HIM SUPPORT AND THE
14 FAMILY SUPPORT, AS WELL. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF KEN
15 BIERMAN, WHO WAS BORN IN LONG BEACH, DIED SUDDENLY AT THE
16 YOUNG AGE OF 47. HE GREW UP IN CERRITOS, GRAD GRADUATED FROM
17 CERRITOS HIGH SCHOOL AND L.A. TRADE TECH. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE
18 IN THE BOY SCOUTS, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND MANY OTHER
19 ORGANIZATIONS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE DEBBIE, TWO SONS,
20 MATTHEW AND CHRISTOPHER, BROTHERS JOHN, DAVE AND WIFE GABBY,
21 PARENTS LYNN AND RAY AND MANY OTHER RELATIVES. ALSO THAT WE
22 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LINNEA BOOKER WHO IS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT
23 OF LONG BEACH, PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 67. WENT TO
24 POLY, CAL STATE LONG BEACH. SHE WAS A SOCIAL WORKER FOR OUR
25 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR MANY YEARS. SHE RETIRED EARLY. WAS



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1 QUITE A GOLFER. AND SORT OF WAS A LEGEND OUT AT LAKEWOOD
2 COUNTRY CLUB. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO CHILDREN, ERIC AND
3 JULIE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF OLIVER WARD CANTRELL,
4 LONG TIME RESIDENT OF BELLFLOWER. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
5 88. MOVED TO CALIFORNIA IN 1943 FROM MISSOURI. HE WAS AN
6 INDEPENDENT MILK PRODUCER AND AT ONE TIME WORKED OVER 1,000
7 DAYS IN A ROW. HE LEFT HIS MILK BUSINESS AND WORKED FOR
8 ROCKVIEW DAIRY FOR 20 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
9 JESSIE, TWO CHILDREN, JUDITH AND RON, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND
10 SEVERAL GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. AND ALSO I BELIEVE WE DID THIS
11 LAST WEEK TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LIZ KREIMANN, A MOTHER OF
12 OUR DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND HARBORS, I BELIEVE WE DID THAT
13 LAST WEEK, ALL MEMBERS ON THAT AS WELL, TOO. FINALLY AN
14 ADJOURNMENT THAT CAUGHT US ALL BY SURPRISE, PATTI ACOSTA, THE
15 FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH
16 CLINIC IN LONG BEACH PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY ON AUGUST 4TH. SHE
17 WAS A LONG-TIME FRIEND OF MINE, TREMENDOUS ADVOCATE FOR
18 CHILDREN. RECENTLY SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN OBTAINING
19 LEGISLATION WHICH MANDATES DENTAL SCREENING FOR CHILDREN AS
20 THEY BEGIN SCHOOL. SHE WAS A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND OUR DENTAL
21 CLINIC IN BELLFLOWER. THIS DENTAL CLINIC HAS SERVED COUNTLESS
22 CHILDREN, HAS MADE A TREMENDOUS IMPACT TO THE LIVES OF MANY
23 CHILDREN NOT ONLY IN THE GREATER L.A. AREA BUT LONG BEACH
24 WHERE SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE AND OBVIOUSLY ON CATALINA ISLAND AND
25 AVALON TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE HAD THE SAME KIND



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1 OF DENTAL OPPORTUNITIES. SHE HAD AN INCREDIBLE SMILE. SHE WILL
2 BE TRULY MISSED. AND I WANT TO EXTEND MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO
3 HER SONS DURING THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME. AND AS I SAID, SHE
4 WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. MR. MAYOR, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
7 I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE ALSO THAT THIS WILL BE FOR ALL MEMBERS
8 ALONG WITH ALL 22 MEMBERS OF THE SEAL TEAM SIX AND EIGHT
9 AMERICAN SERVICEMEN WHO WERE KILLED IN THAT TRAGIC HELICOPTER
10 CRASH AND THESE WERE THE 30 AMERICAN SOLDIERS. AS I SAID MOST
11 OF THEM WERE THE ELITE FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE NAVY SEALS.
12 THEY INCLUDED FIVE AIR CREW MEMBERS AND 25 PERSONNEL FROM THE
13 SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND. IT HAD GONE DOWN AND THEY WERE
14 ARRIVING TRYING TO ASSIST AMERICAN RANGERS WHO WERE TRAPPED IN
15 THAT FIERCE FIGHTING THAT WAS GOING ON. SO ALL MEMBERS.
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED AS WELL. ALSO, ISAO SAM KOJIMA
17 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 34 ON JULY 30TH, HE WAS THE
18 UNCLE OF MY FORMER LEGISLATIVE AID WHEN I WAS IN SACRAMENTO,
19 JOAN CHAN. HE WAS A WORLD WAR II VETERAN WITH THE UNITED
20 STATES ARMY, THE 442ND REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM WHICH WAS ONE OF
21 THE MOST HIGHLY DECORATED IN WORLD WAR II. HE WAS A TRANSLATOR
22 AND MEMBER OF THE UNIT THAT WAS CAPTURING JAPANESE ARMY
23 SOLDIERS. HE TOLD US HIS TWO NIECES, JOAN AND LYNN THAT
24 BECAUSE PART OF HIS FAMILY WAS IN JAPAN DURING THAT WAR, SO
25 JOAN ASKED HIM "WHAT WERE YOU DOING WHEN YOU WERE FIRING AT



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1 THE ENEMY?" AND HE SAID "WELL, I'D ALWAYS LOOK IN THEIR EYES
2 BEFORE I WOULD SHOOT JUST IN CASE I WOULDN'T SHOOT MY
3 BROTHER." SO HE WAS A HIGHLY PRIZED MEMBER OF THAT FAMED UNIT
4 AND VERY PROUD OF HIS CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE ARMY DURING WORLD
5 WAR II AND IT WAS INTERESTING; HE KEPT MANY OF THE DOCUMENTS
6 THAT WERE TRANSLATED THAT WILL BE NOW DONATED TO A MUSEUM FOR
7 OUR HISTORY. ALSO DOUG SWAIN, A BUSINESSMAN IN THE SANTA
8 CLARITA VALLEY, 30 YEARS WITH THE CAR DEALERS ON CREEKSIDE
9 ROAD IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF
10 DIRECTORS OF THE LOCAL AMERICAN RED CROSS, SUPPORTED THE
11 CHARITIES, INCLUDING THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY BOYS AND GIRLS
12 CLUB. THE MICHAEL HOFFMAN FOUNDATION FOR CHILDREN'S CANCER AND
13 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND HIS CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.
14 ELROY VILLINES, AGE 85, RETIRED INSPECTOR WITH THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HERSCEL WISE, ALSO RETIRED LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S SERGEANT PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
17 80. JAMES BOYD SHEFFIELD SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINES
18 DURING WORLD WAR II. HE WAS A FIREFIGHTER FOR THE CITY OF
19 BURBANK AND WAS PRESIDENT OF THE BURBANK CHAPTER OF THE
20 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY
21 HIS FIVE CHILDREN AND HIS BROTHERS, ROBERT AND JACK. LUCY
22 COLLETT, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78. SHE RETIRED LIBRARIAN
23 FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT. AND SHE LEAVES HER HUSBAND AND HER
24 CHILDREN. VERNON BEANER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75. HE
25 SERVED AS A RESIDENT OF SUN VILLAGE FOR MORE THAN 45 YEARS. HE



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1 WAS RETIRED FROM THE L.A. COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT AND HE
2 OVERSAW THE SUN VILLAGE HANDYMAN WORKERS PROGRAM FOR A NUMBER
3 OF YEARS. LESTER DEAN CARTER, 50-YEAR RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE
4 VALLEY WAS EMPLOYED WITH THE LOS ANGELES WATER AND POWER FOR
5 30 YEARS. JOSE ANTONIO GALVEZ, ALSO OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY,
6 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 63. RUTH ANNA PICKIT JONES, EARLY
7 SETTLER OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 107.
8 SHE GRADUATED FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL IN 1923, AND
9 SHE LEAVES HER CHILDREN, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, NINE GREAT
10 GRANDCHILDREN AND SEVEN GREAT GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. LEONARD
11 MINGHELLI ALSO OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
12 59. HE WAS A MASONRY CONTRACTOR. AND GURDUS CLAUDE ROWERDINK,
13 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80 FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND HE
14 WAS A VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
15 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. MOTION, SUPERVISOR MOLINA?
16 GLORIA? GLORIA? ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** PAYING ATTENTION HERE. I'D LIKE TO ASK TODAY THAT
19 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CLEOTILDE, HER NAME WAS TILLY
20 RODRIGUEZ. SHE WAS A BELOVED STAFF MEMBER AT MALDEF, THE
21 MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATION FUND. FOR OVER
22 TWO DECADES TILLY SERVED AS THE ORGANIZATION'S RECEPTIONIST
23 AND SHE WAS ADORED BY STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS ALIKE. HER
24 DAUGHTER, YOLANDA, WORKS FOR FIRST FIVE. AND SO WE WANT TO
25 SEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO YOLANDA AND HER ENTIRE



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1 FAMILY AND OF COURSE ALL OF US WHO NEW HER AND LOVED HER. I'D
2 ALSO LIKE TO ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN IN THE MEMORY OF FORMER
3 OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE AND PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL PLAYER ANDY
4 COLLINS WHO HAS TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY. ANDY WAS A FRIEND AND
5 TEAMMATE OF JAKE BLEVINS, THE SON OF OUR COUNTY CHIEF
6 PROBATION OFFICER, DONALD BLEVINS. AFTER HIS OCCIDENTAL
7 CAREER, ANDY CONTINUED HIS ATHLETIC CAREER IN THE ARENA
8 FOOTBALL LEAGUE. AND SO ANDY, OF COURSE, WILL BE DEEPLY
9 MISSED. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO ANDY'S
10 FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS, AS WELL AS ALL THE PLAYERS AND COACHES
11 WHO HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW HIM. THAT'S ALL.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. PERMIT ME
14 TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. JEANETTE
15 WILEY, WHO PASSED ON THE 28TH OF JULY AT THE AGE OF 51. SHE
16 WAS A MEMBER OF THE WESTERN STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION, THE VICE
17 PRESIDENT OF THE T. DIVAS AND TDOS GOLF CLUB. SHE WORKED AT
18 NORTH GRUMMAN AND IS SURVIVED BY HER MOTHER, HER SISTER, HER
19 SON JASON AND HER DAUGHTER KIRA. MR. CHARLES HERBERT BENNETT
20 SR. BORN SEPTEMBER THE FIFTH, 1929 IN DUCK HILL, MISSISSIPPI
21 AND PASSED ON AUGUST THE FOURTH THIS YEAR AT THE AGE OF 81. HE
22 LEFT SCHOOL AT AN EARLY AGE TO RAISE HIS YOUNGER SIBLINGS AND
23 JOINED THE U.S. ARMY IN 1950. HE SERVED AS A VEHICLE
24 MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN AT FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA AND WAS
25 HONORABLY DISCHARGED WITH THE RANK OF CORPORAL IN 1952.



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1 CHARLES MOVED TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, WHERE HE WORKED FOR
2 EMERSON ELECTRIC AND RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1954. HE
3 OBTAINED HIS DIPLOMA AND EARNED AN ASSOCIATE'S OF ARTS DEGREE
4 IN ACCOUNTING FROM TRADE TECH COLLEGE. HE WORKED FOR THE
5 VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL FOR 31 YEARS AND RETIRED AS
6 A SENIOR DRUG COUNSELOR. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE PEOPLE'S
7 INDEPENDENT CHURCH OF CHRIST AND SERVED AS AN ACTIVE TRUSTEE
8 AND A MEMBER OF THE SAMARITAN GROUP. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
9 WIFE, EULA, HIS SISTER ANNIE, HIS BROTHER CHESTER,
10 GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND EXTENDED HOST OF
11 FAMILY, NEIGHBORS. NITA CHAMBERLAIN, BORN JULY THE 11TH, 1916
12 IN MARSHAL TEXAS AND PASSED ON AUGUST THE FIFTH OF THIS YEAR
13 AT THE AGE OF 95. SHE EARNED HER UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES IN
14 EDUCATION FROM BISHOP COLLEGE IN TEXAS AND GRADUATED WITH A
15 DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
16 CALIFORNIA. HER GRADUATE DEGREE THERE. SHE RETIRED FROM
17 WHITTIER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT HAVING SPECIALIZED IN
18 EDUCATIONAL COUNSELING AND TEACHER FORMATION TRAINING. SHE
19 JOINED THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN IN 1962 AND SERVED
20 AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA FOR
21 NEARLY 30 YEARS. NITA CHAMBERLAIN WAS ONE OF THE FORMER
22 MEMBERS AND FIRST PRESIDENT OF NCNW VIEW PARK SECTION OF LOS
23 ANGELES AS WELL AS THE LEGACY LIFE MEMBER AND SERVED AS A
24 NATIONAL OFFICER. SHE WAS A LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE DELTA
25 SIGMA THETA, THE CALIFORNIA TEACHERS' UNION AND AS RECENTLY AS



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1 2009, SHE WAS APPOINTED TO SERVE ON PRESIDENT OBAMA'S KITCHEN
2 CABINET. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF ST. PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH
3 IN LOS ANGELES, AND SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED, LOVED AND
4 RESPECTED FOREVER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, MARY, AND
5 MANY MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO CONSIDER HER TO BE A BELOVED
6 FRIEND AND EVEN MATRIARCH. AND, FINALLY, MR. MAYOR AND
7 COLLEAGUES, I ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MADISON T. SHAPLY SR. BORN
8 FEBRUARY 4, 1923 ON A PLANTATION IN ARLINGTON, TENNESSEE. HIS
9 STORY IS A PART OF THE STORY OF L.A. COUNTY HISTORY AND WELL
10 WORTH OUR KNOWING. HE CONSIDERED HIMSELF TO BE A DEVOUT
11 CHRISTIAN AND BASED HIS FAITH AND REFUSED DURING WORLD WAR II
12 AND SERVED HIS SENTENCE FOR THREE YEARS WITH THE CIVILIAN
13 PUBLIC SERVICE KNOWN THEN AS THE CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR'S CAMP
14 INCLUDING A STINT FIGHTING FIRES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. MR.
15 SHACKLY FELL IN LOVE WITH CALIFORNIA AND AFTER THE WAR AND
16 GRADUATION FROM EARLHAM COLLEGE, A QUAKER SCHOOL IN INDIANA,
17 HE WAS ADMITTED AND ENROLLED IN THE YEAR OF 1949 IN THE
18 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK,
19 TO PURSUE AN MSW DEGREE. BUT INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, GIVEN THAT
20 ERA, HE WAS VICTIMIZED BY WHAT WAS KNOWN AS MCCARTHYISM AND HE
21 LOST HIS EMPLOYMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A SOCIAL WORKER
22 BY REFUSING TO SIGN THE LOYALTY OATH, THUS LOSING THE ABILITY
23 TO PAY FOR HIS EDUCATION. HE WITHDREW AFTER ONE YEAR AND
24 WORKED FOR THE UNIVERSAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, AN AFRICAN-
25 AMERICAN OWNED INSURANCE COMPANY DURING A TIME WHEN MAJOR



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1 INSURANCE COMPANIES DID NOT HIRE AFRICAN-AMERICAN AGENTS. SO
2 SERVING IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES, HE
3 RETURNED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND AFTER
4 REPEATING HIS FIRST YEAR AND COMPLETING THE SECOND YEAR OF HIS
5 PROGRAM GRADUATED IN 1971 AT THE AGE OF 48. HE WORKED, THEN,
6 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SOCIAL SERVICES AS A SUPERVISOR
7 IN THE CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION UNTIL 1986. HE WAS A
8 POPULAR AND AFFABLE COLLEAGUE AND IS FONDLY REMEMBERED EVEN TO
9 THIS DAY BY HUNDREDS OF HIS COUNTY COWORKERS WITH WHOM HE
10 SERVED THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES AREA. IT'S AN
11 INTERESTING STORY FOR MR. SHACKLY. IT'S A STORY OF CALIFORNIA.
12 IT'S A STORY OF LOS ANGELES. RETIRED, BECAME A MARRIAGE FAMILY
13 THERAPIST AND MAINTAINED A SMALL COUNSELING PRACTICE. AND THEN
14 IN A CLASSIC HOLLYWOOD STORY, IT WAS BY ACCIDENT THAT HE
15 SHOWED UP ONE DAY ON THE SET OF A MOVIE PRODUCTION AND WAS
16 PLACED IN THE ROLE OF AN AFRICAN VILLAGE CHIEF AND LAUNCHED A
17 NEW CAREER AS AN TO ACTOR IN WHAT WE NOW KNOW AS THAT FAMED
18 PRODUCTION "THE COLOR PURPLE" AND HIS ACTING CAREER WOULD
19 CONTINUE FOR LITERALLY A QUARTER OF A CENTURY AND WAS ONLY
20 STOPPED ACTING IN 2010 WHEN HE WAS DISABLED BY ADVANCED
21 PROSTATE CANCER. HE WAS A LIFE LONG ACTIVIST, CONTINUING HIS
22 WORK FOR PEACE THROUGH THE FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION. HE
23 WORKED VERY TIRELESSLY, COMPLETED AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF THE
24 FIRST THIRD OF HIS LIFE AND TOLD THE STORY OF HAVING GROWN UP
25 IN THE SOUTH AND HIS STATUS OF A CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR AND



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1 MEETING FOLK LIKE BAYET RUSTON, PAUL ROBESON, AND THURGOOD
2 MARSHALL. MADISON SHACKLY SR. LIVED FOR 50 YEARS AS A RESIDENT
3 OF MIDTOWN, LOS ANGELES WITH HIS WIFE, AUDREY. AND HE IS
4 SURVIVED BY HER AND FOUR CHILDREN, BRENDA, HILLARY, MADISON
5 AND ANDREA. SEVERAL GRANDCHILDREN, A SISTER EDITH. WE SIMPLY
6 WISH TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP CONDOLENCES TO THIS FAMILY FOR A LIFE
7 WELL LIVED AND A STORY WORTH RECOGNIZING AS A PART OF L.A.
8 COUNTY HISTORY. MADISON P. SHACKLY SR.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
11 ALL MEMBERS. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. MAYOR, I HAVE AN ADJOURNING MOTION, TWO
14 ADJOURNING MOTIONS. FIRST, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
15 KRISTEN SAMANTHA WONG WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY AT
16 THE UNTIMELY AGE OF 31. KRISTEN IS SURVIVED BY HER FATHER
17 STEVEN WONG, A LONG TIME FRIEND OF MY OFFICE, A VALUED
18 COLLEAGUE AT THE LOS ANGELES CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE WHEN I
19 WAS OVER THERE. AND ALSO SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER, GARRETT, HER
20 MOTHER MARGARET WHO PREDECEASED HER. ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
21 IN THE MEMORY OF MARCIA ROTHMAN WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT
22 THE AGE OF 88 AFTER AN EXTENTLE ILLNESS. MARCIA WAS BORN IN
23 OMAHA, NEBRASKA WORKED FOR 20 YEARS AS A JUNIOR AND SENIOR
24 HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER AT L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE IS
25 SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, JEFFREY AND JONATHAN, A DAUGHTER



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1 ELIZABETH, AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN IAN AND ANGELA MAYA. HER
2 HUSBAND OF 63 YEARS SANFORD PREDECEASED HER. SHE WILL BE MUCH
3 MISSED BY THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO KNEW AND ADMIRERED HER.
4 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7 OKAY. I'M GOING TO CALL UP ARNOLD SACHS. ARNOLD SACHS? THEN WE
8 HAVE ITEM 2-H, 1, 4, 13, 19, 35, 20, 23, 37-B, 37-C. MOTION BY
9 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

10 OKAY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM 36, MR. SACHS? MR. SACHS IS
11 NOT HERE. REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I KNOW
12 THEY WILL BE COMING VERY SHORTLY. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ASK A
13 COUPLE QUESTIONS. ON JULY 28TH THE GOVERNING BOARD OF LA-RICS
14 VOTED TO ABANDON THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS THAT WAS UNDERWAY TO
15 RESTART THE PROCESS UPON THE ADVICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL. LAST
16 WEEK THE GOVERNING BOARD WAS ADVISED THAT THE NEW PROCUREMENT
17 PROCESS WAS GOING TO NOW INVOLVE A THREE-PRONGED PROCESS
18 INSTEAD OF THE ORIGINAL TURNKEY SYSTEM. THIS THREE-PRONGED
19 PROCESS WOULD CONSIST OF THE DESIGN AND ULTIMATE INSTALLATION
20 OF THE SYSTEM, THE DESIGN OF THE TOWERS AND NEW BUILDINGS AND
21 THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TOWERS AND NEW BUILDINGS. THIS TURNKEY
22 PROCESS WHICH WAS PREFERRED PROCESS BY THE J.P.A. WAS
23 CONSIDERED IDEAL BECAUSE IT WOULD ALLOW FOR THE J.P.A. TO HOLD
24 A SINGLE CONTRACTOR ACCOUNTABLE AND IT AVOIDED UNNECESSARY
25 DELAYS, INCREASED COSTS AND LIABILITY THAT ARE MORE LIKELY TO



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1 OCCUR WHEN USING MULTIPLE CONTRACTORS UNDER THE THREE-PRONGED
2 PROCESS. SO A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. MR. FUJIOKA, IS THE
3 ORIGINAL R.F.P. AND PROCUREMENT PROCESS SALVAGEABLE IN ANY WAY
4 AT THIS POINT? AND IF NOT, WHY NOT?

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AT THIS JUNCTURE, IT IS NOT SALVAGEABLE. THAT
7 INFORMATION HAS BEEN, OR THE BASIS FOR THAT DECISION HAS BEEN
8 SHARED WITH THE BOARD IN CLOSED SESSION. IT'S BASICALLY THE
9 CURRENT- WELL OR THE PAST R.F.P. THAT HAS TERMINATED DID NOT
10 COMPLY WITH PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DID THE J.P.A. VOTE TO RESTART THE
13 PROCESS? I UNDERSTAND THAT THE PROCESS WOULD INVOLVE A THREE
14 PRONGED PROCESS. COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE PROS AND CONS OF THE
15 ORIGINAL TURNKEY SYSTEM VERSUS THIS NOW THREE-PRONGED PROCESS?

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AS I MENTIONED THAT THE PREVIOUS PROCESS WAS
18 TERMINATED BECAUSE IT WAS NOT DEEMED LEGAL. AND SO TO GET INTO
19 THE PROS AND CONS OF THAT AT THIS POINT IN TIME WOULD REALLY
20 DOESN'T HAVE ANY MERIT GIVEN THE ILLEGALITY OF THAT PROCESS.
21 WHAT WE PUT TOGETHER NOW, WHAT THE J.P.A. BOARD PUT TOGETHER
22 DOES WORK. THE TURNKEY PROCESS, I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT, WOULD BE
23 A PREFERRED METHOD. BUT BECAUSE IT'S NOT LEGAL UNDER THE
24 CURRENT PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE, THE NEXT BEST
25 POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE IS THE APPROACH WE'RE DOING NOW.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THEN YOU AGREE THAT THE TURNKEY
3 APPROACH WAS THE BEST OR THE MOST IDEAL APPROACH TAKEN?

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE TURNKEY APPROACH, IT ABSOLUTELY HAD SOME
6 BENEFITS. BUT, AGAIN, UNDER THE CURRENT PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE,
7 IT IS NOT LEGALLY PERMISSIBLE. AND SO WE'RE DOING NOW IS GOING
8 FORWARD WITH ANOTHER PROCESS THAT CAN WORK. AND WE WILL MAKE
9 IT WORK.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DOES EITHER APPROACH, TURNKEY OR THE
12 THREE-PRONG, GIVE ANY CONTRACTOR AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OUR INTENT WHEN WE DEVELOPED THE NEW R.F.P.,
15 AND AS WE GO FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS FOR THE THREE-PRONGED
16 APPROACH, NOT ONLY R.F.P., BUT ALSO THE BID STAGE OF THAT, IS
17 TO MAKE SURE IT'S FAIR, MAKE SURE IT'S OBJECTIVE, IT'S AN EVEN
18 PLAYING FIELD FOR ALL POTENTIAL BIDDERS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO HOW DOES THIS CHANGE THE DYNAMICS
21 FOR THE BIDDERS? CAN THE SAME BIDDERS THAT RESPONDED TO THE
22 ORIGINAL R.F.P. ALSO BID FOR ONE, TWO OR ALL THREE OF THE NEW
23 R.F.P.S UNDER THIS THREE-PRONG PROCESS?

24



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE ALL APPROPRIATE RESPONSIBLE BIDDERS,
2 INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE PAST, WILL
3 ACTIVELY PURSUE THE NEXT SET OF R.F.P.S AND BIDS THAT WE'VE
4 RELEASED FOR THIS PROJECT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONE OF THE CONCERNS RAISED WAS THE
7 ISSUE OF SYSTEM WARRANTY IF THERE ARE MULTIPLE CONTRACTORS
8 INVOLVED. SO WHO WOULD BE LIABLE, RESPONSIBLE FOR WARRANTY?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE COMPANY THAT BUILDS THE SYSTEM WILL, AS
11 WITH ANY OTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE, WILL BE
12 LIABLE FOR THAT SYSTEM.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THIS PREVENTS, IF IT WAS AWARDED TO
15 THREE CONTRACTORS THAT TWO COULD SAY THEY WERE NOT RESPONSIBLE
16 WAS THE- I MEAN, WE ONLY GET THE THREE STOOGES WHERE EVERYBODY
17 IS POINTING AT EVERYBODY ELSE.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T BELIEVE SO, SIR. OUR INTENT IS AS WE
20 MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS AND WE'LL BE WORKING WITH COUNSEL THAT
21 WE'LL PUT TOGETHER DOCUMENTS THAT ENSURE THE RESPECTIVE
22 ENTITIES WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR EACH, AS WE CALL EACH OF THE
23 PRONGS. HE, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PRODUCT THAT EITHER
24 DESIGN, INSTALL OR BUILD.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND HOW MANY MEMBERS ARE CURRENTLY ON
2 THE J.P.A.?

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4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ON THE EXEC BOARD THERE'S 17 MEMBERS. ON THE
5 ENTIRE J.P.A., THERE'S 85 MEMBERS.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** EIGHTY-FIVE?

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9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, SIR.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS THERE ANY WAY AS THE J.P.A.
12 RESTARTS THE PROCESS, THAT THE TURNKEY APPROACH COULD BE USED
13 TO AVOID INCREASED COSTS, DELAYS, AND LIABILITY TO THE J.P.A.?

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15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL THE ONLY WAY THAT CAN BE DONE IS WITH A
16 CHANGE IN STATE LEGISLATION. BUT I NEED TO BE CLEAR THAT THE
17 THREE-PRONG APPROACH CAN WORK. AND IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY- IT
18 WILL NOT NECESSARILY RESULT IN INCREASED COST DELAYS OF
19 LIABILITY TO THE J.P.A.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO HOW ARE YOU ABLE TO GUARANTEE TO
22 THE TOWN COUNCILS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT WHEN THE
23 WORK BEGINS, THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE INCLUDED AT THE
24 BEGINNING OF THE PROCESS AND NOT AT THE END OF THE PROCESS?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S AN EXCELLENT POINT. WE'LL MAKE SURE WE
2 WORK WITH EACH OF OUR BOARD OFFICES. WE HAVE VIRTUALLY EVERY
3 CITY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WHO IS PARTICIPATING IN THIS
4 EFFORT WILL BE WORKING WITH THEIR TOWN COUNCILS, WILL ENSURE
5 THAT CITY COUNCILS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF L.A., NOT ONLY
6 L.A. CITY, BECAUSE WE HAVE MANY MORE CITIES IN THE COUNTY OF
7 LOS ANGELES, WILL BE INVOLVED IN THAT STEP.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MS. ORDIN, DID YOUR STAFF REVIEW AND
10 APPROVE THE ORIGINAL R.F.P.?

11

12 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** YES, IT DID IN 2009.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHEN DID YOU FIRST LEARN ABOUT THE
15 FLAW IN THE R.F.P. THAT WAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION?

16

17 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THE OFFICE AS A WHOLE BECAME AWARE OF IT
18 APPROXIMATELY IN MAY OF THIS YEAR.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHEN WAS THE BOARD INFORMED OF IT?

21

22 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE INFORMED MEMBERS OF THE STAFF WITHIN WEEKS AS
23 WE WERE DETERMINING HOW SERIOUS THE FLAW MIGHT BE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHO AND HOW WAS THIS BROUGHT TO
2 YOUR ATTENTION?

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4 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE OUR FULL OUTLINE OF THE
5 EXAMINATION IN CLOSED SESSION.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WAS THERE ANY WAY TO LEGALLY
8 SOLVE THE PROBLEM WITHOUT HAVING TO RESTART THE PROCESS?

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10 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE SEE NO WAY WITHOUT RESTARTING THE PROCESS TO
11 SALVAGE THIS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HOW WERE ALL
14 THOSE OPTIONS EXPLORED?

15

16 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE PUT ADDITIONAL STAFF ON IT WITHIN THE COUNTY
17 COUNSEL. WE HIRED AN OUTSIDE COUNSEL WHO HAS HAD GREAT
18 EXPERIENCE IN COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL CONTRACTING. AND WE WORKED
19 WITH MANY, MANY OF OUR PARTNERS IN LA-RICS TO DETERMINE WHAT
20 THEIR CONTRACTING MODES WERE AND WHETHER THERE WAS A WAY TO
21 SALVAGE IT BY USING ONE OF THOSE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW, WHY DID THE COUNTY COUNSEL
24 APPROVE A TURNKEY OPERATION IN 2006 FOR PUBLIC WORKS WIRELESS
25 COMMUNICATION SYSTEM?



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2 **ANDREA ORDIN:** IN THAT ONE, IT WAS A VERY DIFFERENT CONTRACT.
3 THOUGH IT WAS TURNKEY, IT WAS NOT LIKE OR COMPARABLE TO THE
4 LA-RICS SYSTEM BECAUSE THE KEY THERE IS THE DEGREE TO WHICH
5 CONSTRUCTION IS INVOLVED. IN THAT SITUATION, CONSTRUCTION WAS
6 NOT INVOLVED.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARE YOU AWARE OF ANY SIMILAR TYPE OF
9 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS IN R.F.P.S THAT HAVE BEEN ISSUED OR OTHER
10 PROJECTS THAT THE COUNTY HAS PARTICIPATED IN?

11

12 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY AT THE MOMENT, BUT WE ARE
13 IN THE PROCESS OF DOING A FULL REVIEW, NOT ONLY OF THE CLOSED
14 CONTRACTS, BUT MUCH MORE IMPORTANTLY OF ANY CONTRACTS WHICH
15 ARE PRESENTLY PENDING.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THE INITIAL ADVICE UPON WHICH THE
18 J.P.A. WAS RELEASED, THE R.P.A. WAS THAT A MINOR ERROR OR
19 SIGNIFICANT ONE?

20

21 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WELL, AGAIN, I THINK THAT'S PART OF WHAT WE WILL
22 TALK TO YOU ABOUT IN CLOSED SESSION AS WE GO THROUGH THE
23 HISTORY HERE. WE DO KNOW THAT IT IS SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH WITH
24 THE CONTRACT AS A WHOLE THAT IT CAN'T GO FORWARD.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAVE YOU INITIATED CORRECTIVE ACTION
2 MEASURES?

3

4 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE HAVE. WE HAVE BEGUN THAT. BUT WE ARE STILL IN
5 THE PROCESS OF EXAMINING THE NATURE OF THE ERROR.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE FORMAL EXPLANATION AS TO WHAT
8 OCCURRED AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE CORRECTIVE ACTION
9 PLAN, IS THAT FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION? OR THAT WILL BE A FORMAL
10 REPLY IN PUBLIC SESSION? OR A COMBINATION OF BOTH?

11

12 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I THINK PROBABLY AS WE OFTEN DO IT'S A
13 COMBINATION OF BOTH.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND MR. FUJIOKA, WERE THERE ANY OTHER
16 J.P.A. BOARD MEMBERS WHO WERE PROVIDED A WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION
17 BEFORE TAKING ACTION?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THEY WERE NOT PROVIDED A WRITTEN LEGAL
20 OPINION; HOWEVER, IN A CLOSED SESSION MEETING WITH THE J.P.A.,
21 A VERY THOROUGH PRESENTATION WAS MADE BY NOT ONLY OUR COUNTY
22 COUNSEL BUT ALSO INDEPENDENT COUNSEL THAT IS NOT A MEMBER OF
23 OUR COUNTY COUNSEL. WE HAVE A VERY THOROUGH DISCUSSION.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO THIS IS GOING TO BE REFERRED
2 TO EXECUTIVE SESSION. AND THEN I WOULD ALSO REQUEST THAT THE
3 EXECUTIVE OFFICE SEND TRANSCRIPTS OF THIS TESTIMONY TO THE
4 MEMBERS OF THE J.P.A.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK A QUESTION?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU INDICATED THAT THE R.F.P., MS. ORDIN,
11 THAT THE R.F.P. WAS APPROVED IN 2009. I THOUGHT IT WAS WHEN
12 YOU SAY APPROVED?

13

14 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I THINK IT WAS SENT OUT FOR BIDS IN 2009.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MY INFORMATION WAS THAT IT WAS ISSUED APRIL
17 OF 2010. SO I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENED
18 BETWEEN 2009 AND APRIL OF 2010? DO EITHER OF YOU GUYS KNOW?

19

20 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I'LL KNOW IN JUST A MINUTE AFTER I PULL OUT THE
21 CHRONOLOGY.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE THAT DATE IS RIGHT. WHILE SHE'S
24 LOOKING, MR. MAYOR, WITH RESPECT TO THE TRANSCRIPT, IF YOU



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1 LIKE, I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO WORK WITH OUR EXEC OFFICER TO
2 ENSURE EACH MEMBER RECEIVES A COPY OF THAT.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLVASKY:** SURE.

5

6 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THE J.P.A. BYLAWS WERE ADOPTED THE 15TH OF- THE
7 J.P.A. BYLAWS WERE ADOPTED. AND THEN IN APRIL OF 2010, THE
8 R.F.P. WAS RELEASED FOR PROPOSALS. SO THAT WAS APRIL 5, 2010.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT'S THE J.P.A. THAT YOU MEANT TO
11 REFERENCE IN 2009 AND THE R.F.P. WAS--

12

13 **ANDREA ORDIN:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAD PUBLIC COMMENT, TWO
18 PEOPLE HAD SIGNED UP. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ARNOLD SACHS.
19 ALSO GENEVIEVE SIGNED UP FOR S-2.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. THE L.A.
22 REGIONAL INTEROPERATIVE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM OR BETTER THE
23 INOPERABLE. HAVE YOU CONSIDERED BRINGING IN SOME METRO
24 EXPERTISE? BECAUSE THEY'RE DOING A WONDERFUL PROGRAM ON THE
25 TAP CARD? HAVE YOU CONSIDERED CONTACTING GARRETT MORRIS WHEN



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1 HE WAS WITH SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE FOR NEWS FOR THE DEAF? THIS IS
2 ANOTHER SITUATION, ANOTHER ELECTRONIC FIASCO THAT THE BOARD
3 FINDS ITSELF IN THAT HAS NO BUDGET ENDING. THIS IS TRAFFIC
4 SYNCHRONIZATION IN ALL THE DISTRICTS. JUST KEEP FINDING MORE
5 MONEY TO PUT INTO THIS SYSTEM. FOR 10 YEARS OR EIGHT YEARS
6 YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING AT THIS. MAYBE, INSTEAD OF CHANGING THIS
7 SYSTEM, PEOPLE SHOULD THINK ABOUT CHANGING THE SYSTEM THAT
8 SITS IN THE HORSESHOE. THERE THEY MIGHT GET A SYSTEM OF
9 COMMUNICATION THAT WOULD REALLY WORK. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

12

13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. GOOD
14 MORNING. FIRST, I AM VERY CONCERNED THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL
15 DECIDED TO PUT ALL THE DISCUSSION UNDER CLOSED SESSION. I
16 THINK IT'S QUITE INAPPROPRIATE. I KNOW THE PUBLIC HAS THE
17 RIGHT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON. WHEN IT COMES TO THAT CONTRACT,
18 SINCE 1999 I HAVE OBJECTED TO MULTIPLE CONTRACTS, BOTH ON THE
19 WAY THEY WERE WRITTEN AND TOTALLY OBJECTED TO SOLE VENDOR
20 CONTRACTS. LIKE I'VE SAID MANY TIMES, WE ARE A COUNTY OF 10
21 MILLION PEOPLE. TO HAVE A SOLE-VENDOR CONTRACT IS ASININE. THE
22 SAME WAY THAT MS. MOLINA NOT LISTENING TO THE PUBLIC IS
23 ASININE. THIS CONTRACT IS VERY CONCERNING. AND IT WAS A VERY
24 GOOD OP ED FROM JIM NEWTON ON THE L.A. TIMES. AND IT'S TOTALLY
25 CORRECT WHAT HE POINT OUT. AND I THINK IT'S TIME THAT WE STOP



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1 THAT. YOU KNOW, I BROUGHT THE ISSUE MULTIPLE TIMES ABOUT THE
2 COMMISSION ON H.I.V. BUNDLING CONTRACT, YOU KNOW. ON TAPE
3 NEGOTIATING TO CHANGE THE RATING FROM ONE PERSON TO ANOTHER
4 AND THEN BUNDLE THE CONTRACT. THAT HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR
5 YEARS. THIS HAVE TO CHANGE. IT'S JUST A MATTER OF DOING THE
6 JOB WHICH IS SUPPOSED TO BE DONE, OKAY? AND ON S-2, YOU'RE
7 GOING TO GIVE ME A LITTLE MORE TIME?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, S-2, GO ON.

10

11 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ON S-2, I AM CONCERNED THAT, YOU KNOW,
12 THE BURN UNIT IS STILL DECREASING ADMISSION EVERY MONTH, YOU
13 KNOW. WE ARE LOWER THAN EVER AND IT IS GOING DOWN THREE MONTHS
14 IN A ROW. WE NEED TO DO A BETTER MARKETING OF THAT WONDERFUL
15 BURN UNIT BECAUSE I'M SURE A LOT OF PEOPLE COULD BENEFIT FROM
16 IT. AND BY THE WAY, I WANT TO COMPLIMENT THE NURSING DIRECTOR
17 MISS _____ BIRDWICH AND HER TEAM, THEY WERE VERY NICE AND
18 PROVIDED ME WITH ALL THE TESTS THAT I HAD ASKED FOR ABOUT THE
19 NURSING TESTS AND THEY ARE TOTALLY APPROPRIATE. THEY ARE DOING
20 A FANTASTIC JOB AND I WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR
21 COOPERATION.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. I AGREE. THIS REALLY
24 DOESN'T PASS THE SMELL TEST. I HAVE SERIOUS RESERVATIONS. AND
25 AGAIN I JUST HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON? AND THE



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1 BACK-DOOR MANIPULATIONS THAT COULD BE TAKING PLACE MAYBE NOT
2 BUT I JUST HAVE CONCERNS AND NEEDS TO BE FULL PUBLIC
3 DISCUSSION ON THIS ISSUE. OUR CITIES, OUR SHERIFF, OUR FIRE
4 DEPARTMENT, OUR MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY,
5 FIRST RESPONDERS HAVING WORKED TOGETHER FOR SO LONG UNDER A
6 PROCESS THAT APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN FLAWED FROM THE BEGINNING
7 AND YET NOBODY KNEW ABOUT IT. AND HAS THERE BEEN PRECEDENT
8 WITH OTHER CONTRACTS BEING AWARDED? I DON'T KNOW. AND THESE
9 ARE THE QUESTIONS THAT WERE BEING RAISED, HAVE BEEN RAISED AND
10 WILL CONTINUE TO BE RAISED UNTIL WE GET THE FINAL ANSWER TO
11 THOSE QUESTIONS. BUT THAT WILL BE REFERRED TO EXECUTIVE
12 SESSION. EXECUTIVE SESSION. THAT WAS GOING TO TO BE ON CLOSED
13 SESSION. TO RECEIVE AND FILE. S-2 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
14 YAROSLAVSKY. SECOND TO RECEIVE AND FILE WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
15 ORDERED. ON ITEM S-1, DUE TO THE NUMBER OF SPEAKERS THAT WE
16 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS, IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE SET
17 TIME LIMITS EARLY SO THAT WE WON'T BE ACCUSED OF NOT HAVING
18 FAIR AMOUNT OF TIME FOR BOTH SIDES OR ALL SIDES TO BE HEARD.
19 TO CLARIFY THE ORDER OF PUBLIC HEARING --

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. MAYOR, COULD I ASK TO INTERRUPT. COULD
22 WE GET THE CONVERSATION IN THE ROOM TO STOP? (GAVEL).

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TO CLARIFY THE ORDER OF PUBLIC
25 HEARINGS AND RULES REGARDING PLANS THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED FOR



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1 THE SEPTEMBER 6TH PUBLIC HEARING ON PLANS, THERE ARE NUMEROUS
2 SPEAKERS WHO ARE GOING TO BE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS. SO
3 WE'RE GOING TO FIRST ASK THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSISON,
4 CURT PEDERSON OF THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMISSION WILL PROVIDE
5 AN OVERVIEW OF THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION AND THEIR FINAL
6 RECOMMENDATIONS. AND THEN JUSTIN LEVITT WILL PROVIDE A 15-
7 MINUTE OVERVIEW OF PLANS S-1 AMENDED WHICH WAS NOT SUPPORTED
8 BY A MAJORITY OF THE COMMISSION. AND THEN LAURA BRILL, THE
9 LEGAL COUNSEL, WILL PROVIDE A 15-MINUTE OVERVIEW OF THE VOTING
10 RIGHTS ACT. AND THEN AFTER THOSE STATEMENTS, THEN IT'S TIME
11 FOR ORAL REQUESTS. EACH SUPERVISOR MAY DIRECT COUNTY STAFF TO
12 SET ANY PLANS FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS ON SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2011 AND
13 TO PREPARE THE COMPANY STAFF ANALYSIS AND PROPOSED ORDINANCE.
14 THAT MAY BE DONE EITHER ORALLY, TODAY OR NEXT WEEK AT THE
15 BOARD MEETING. PLANS WILL THEN BE CONSIDERED DURING THE PUBLIC
16 HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 6TH. AFTER THE SUPERVISORS SUBMIT ANY
17 PLANS THAT THEY HAVE, WE WILL FIRST HEAR FROM ANY OF THE
18 ELECTED OFFICIALS IN THE AUDIENCE. THEN WE WILL DESIGNATE ONE
19 HOUR EACH FOR EACH SIDE. THAT WILL BE ONE HOUR EACH FOR EACH
20 SIDE. AND THOSE WHO SUPPORT THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND
21 THOSE WHO SUPPORT SOME OTHER PLAN. AND AS I SAID, GIVEN THE
22 NUMBER OF SPEAKERS THAT WE HAVE, IT IS RECOMMENDED WE HAVE A
23 ONE-MINUTE TIME LIMIT AND THAT THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO HAVE
24 SUPPORTIVE VIEWS OF A SPEAKER, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HANDS AND



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1 THOSE WHO DON'T, YOU CAN REFRAIN FROM THAT. SO AT THIS TIME,
2 WE WILL CALL UPON SACHI TO SWEAR IN EVERYBODY BEFORE WE CALL.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR JUST ON CLARIFICATION. THERE SEEMS TO BE
5 SOME CONFUSION. S-1 MEANS A SET ITEM ON THE BOARD. AND SOME
6 PEOPLE SIGNED UP EITHER OPPOSED OR SUPPORT S-1. AND IT'S NOT
7 THE S-1 PLAN. IT'S A SET ITEM FOR THE BOARD. A-2 IS STILL
8 THERE AND S-1. SO THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION. SO YOU MIGHT WANT
9 TO CLARIFY THAT BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH AND DIG OUT THE
10 OPPOSE AND SUPPORTS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD POINT. OKAY, SACHI?

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO THIS IS A PUBLIC HEARING FOR
15 CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE REDISTRICTING
16 PLAN SUBMITTED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISORIAL
17 DISTRICT BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE. ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO
18 TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT
19 HAND TO BE SWORN IN ON ITEM S-1. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
20 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,
21 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?

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23 **SPEAKER:** WE DO.

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU, YOU MAY BE SEATED.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MR. PEDERSON.

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4 **CURT PEDERSON:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND HONORABLE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CURT PEDERSON. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF
6 BEING ELECTED CHAIR OF THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE. THE
7 BOARD ESTABLISHED THE B.R.C. ON NOVEMBER 16, 2010. IT
8 CONSISTED OF 10 VOTING MEMBERS AND 10 ALTERNATES NOMINATED BY
9 EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND APPOINTED BY THE ENTIRE BOARD.
10 I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE COMMITTEE
11 MEMBERS WHO HONORABLY SERVED ON THE COMMITTEE OVER THE PAST
12 FIVE MONTHS. I THANK THEM FOR THEIR DEDICATION, COURTESY,
13 PROFESSIONALISM AND WISDOM. THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE FROM THE
14 FIRST DISTRICT: SHAWN ANDRETTI, STEVE REYES, ALMA MARTINEZ AND
15 LUIS OLIAGAY. FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT WAS THERESA HOLDERMAN,
16 WHO WAS THE VICE CHAIR, JOHN CHOY, JESUS ESCADON, AND VINCENT
17 HARRIS. FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT WAS THE HONORABLE TERRY
18 FREEDMAN. KEVIN EMICIBO, FREDDIE FLORES, AND ANN HOLLISTER.
19 FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT WAS HEREBY HOTINAKA, RANDALL
20 HERNANDEZ, STEVE NAPOLITANO AND MYSELF. AND FROM THE FIFTH
21 DISTRICT WAS ALLEN HATHENBLUM, DR. RICHARD SON, BRIAN MEHINA,
22 AND MARIA SAY. AS INSTRUCTED BY YOUR BOARD, THE B.R.C. WAS
23 TASKED WITH EXAMINING THE EXISTING SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
24 BOUNDARIES AND DETERMINED BASED ON THE 2010 CENSUS POPULATION
25 DATA AND APPLICABLE LEGAL STANDARDS IF AND HOW THE DISTRICT



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1 SHOULD BE ADJUSTED TO ACCOUNT FOR POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHIC
2 CHANGES. YOUR BOARD ALSO APPROVED A BROAD AND INCLUSIVE PUBLIC
3 ACCESS PLAN FOR THE B.R.C. TO SOLICIT THE LIGHTEST PRACTICAL
4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THIS IMPORTANT PROCESS. B.R.C.
5 RECOMMENDS TO YOUR BOARD RESOLVING FROM THIS PUBLIC VIEW AND
6 PROCESS WERE TO BE COMPLETED BUY AUGUST 1ST. I'M HAPPY TO
7 REPORT THAT ON JULY 13TH, 2011, THE B.R.C. VOTED TO RECOMMEND
8 A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR YOUR BOARD'S CONSIDERATION. BEFORE I
9 DISCUSS THE B.R.C.'S FINAL RECOMMENDATION, I WOULD LIKE TO
10 PROVIDE YOUR BOARD WITH SOME BACKGROUND ON HOW THE B.R.C. CAME
11 TO ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION. IN LATE MARCH, AFTER THE CENSUS
12 BUREAU RELEASED THE 2010 CENSUS DATA, COUNTY STAFF PROVIDED
13 THE B.R.C. WITH A BENCHMARK REPORT THAT SHOWED THE 2010 CENSUS
14 DATA WITH THE CURRENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. THE TOTAL
15 COUNTY POPULATION GREW BY 299,267. SINCE THE LAST CENSUS IN
16 2000. WITH A TOTAL COUNTY POPULATION OF 9.81 MILLION, THE
17 IDEAL POPULATION FOR EACH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WOULD BE 1.96
18 MILLION. HOWEVER, BASED ON DIFFERENTIAL POPULATION CHANGES
19 AMONG THE DISTRICTS OVER THE PAST YEARS, THEY HAVE GROWN OUT
20 OF BALANCE WITH A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 9.97 PERCENT. IN 2001,
21 THE BOARD APPROVED REDISTRICTING PLAN REFLECTED A 1.43 PERCENT
22 TOTAL DEVIATION. TOTAL DEVIATION IS A SPAN BETWEEN THE
23 DISTRICT WITH THE HIGHEST OVERPOPULATION AND THE DISTRICT WITH
24 THE HIGHEST UNDERPOPULATION. BASED ON THIS INFORMATION, THE
25 B.R.C. BELIEVED THE BOUNDARY CHANGES WERE NEEDED. AS I



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1 MENTIONED, THE KEY FOCUS OF THE B.R.C., AS INSTRUCTED BY YOUR
2 BOARD WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE PUBLIC ACCESS PLAN WAS TO
3 SOLICIT AND ENCOURAGE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN EACH STEP OF THE
4 COMMITTEE'S PROCESS. THE COMMITTEE DID NOT TAKE THIS CHARGE
5 LIGHTLY. THE COMMITTEE'S PUBLIC OUTREACH INCLUDED AT LEAST TWO
6 COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETINGS IN EACH OF THE DISTRICTS, WHICH
7 TOOK PLACE AT INFORMAL SETTINGS IN VARIOUS COMMUNITIES,
8 EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE PROCESS AND SOLICITING COMMENT
9 AND INPUT. ADDITIONALLY, 15 PUBLIC HEARINGS OF THE COMMITTEE
10 WHERE FORMAL BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED AND AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO
11 THE PUBLIC WAS AFFORDED. A PUBLIC REDISTRICTING WEBSITE WAS
12 ESTABLISHED. THIS WEBSITE INCLUDED VAST INFORMATION ON THE
13 B.R.C. AND THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS. THE WEBSITE HAD OVER
14 30,000 UNIQUE VISITORS FROM MID-MARCH TO MID-JULY. THE WEBSITE
15 INCLUDED AGENDAS AND NOTES OF ALL COMMUNITY MEETINGS, B.R.C.
16 MEETING AGENDAS, DOCUMENTS AND MINUTES; CALENDAR MEETINGS; AND
17 IMPORTANT DATES. REDISTRICTING LAWS AND PRINCIPLES;
18 REDISTRICTING DATA; REPORTS ON ALL PUBLIC PLANS SUBMITTED; AND
19 ALL CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMENTS PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC. PUBLIC
20 OUTREACH ALSO INCLUDED THE AVAILABILITY OF ONLINE
21 REDISTRICTING SOFTWARE PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC FREE OF CHARGE
22 WHERE THE PUBLIC HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP AND SUBMIT
23 REDISTRICTING PLANS TO THE B.R.C.'S CONSIDERATION. AS A
24 RESULT, THE COMMITTEE WAS PRESENTED WITH 19 REDISTRICTING
25 PLANS. OUTREACH ALSO INCLUDED THE DISSEMINATION OF



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1 REDISTRICTING INFORMATION AND NOTICES THROUGH PRESS RELEASE
2 AND ADVISORIES OF SCORES OF LOCAL MEDIA OUTLETS, EMAILS TO THE
3 EVER GROWING LIST OF INDIVIDUALS, COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND
4 NUMEROUS GOVERNMENT JURISDICTIONS. ANOTHER KEY FOCUS WOULD BE
5 OUR CONSIDERATION OF APPLICABLE LAW, POLICY CONSIDERATIONS AND
6 RELEVANT LEGAL PRECEDENT. AMONG THESE, THE KEY CONSIDERATION
7 WAS TO EQUALIZE THE POPULATION AMONG THE DISTRICTS AS REQUIRED
8 BY THE 14TH AMENDMENT OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION. FOURTEENTH
9 AMENDMENT REQUIRES THE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS TO BE AFFORDED A
10 QUALITY REPRESENTATION TO THEIR RESIDENTS. THIS IS THE ONE
11 PERSON, ONE VOTE PRINCIPLE. IN ADDITION, THE CALIFORNIA
12 CONSTITUTION REQUIRES THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS TO BE NEARLY
13 AS EQUAL IN POPULATION AS MAY BE. ANOTHER KEY LEGAL
14 CONSIDERATION WAS SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THIS
15 SECTION PROHIBITS ANY PRACTICE OR PROCEDURE INTERACTING WITH
16 SOCIAL AND OTHER HISTORICAL CONDITIONS THAT IMPAIRS THE
17 ABILITY OF MINORITY VOTERS TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE
18 ON AN EQUAL BASIS WITH OTHER VOTERS. CONSIDERATION WAS ALSO
19 GIVEN TO THE COUNTY CHARTER, WHICH PROVIDES THE FIVE
20 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS WITH EACH SUPERVISOR RESIDING IN THEIR
21 DISTRICT. THE STATE ELECTION CODE WAS CONSIDERED, AS WELL,
22 WHICH PROVIDES THAT IN ESTABLISHING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE
23 DISTRICTS, THE BOARD MAY GIVE CONSIDERATION TO THE FOLLOWING
24 FACTORS: TOPOGRAPHY, GEOGRAPHY, COHESIVENESS, CONTINUITY,
25 INTEGRITY, AND COMPACTNESS OF TERRITORY AND COMMUNITY OF



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1 INTERESTS OF THE DISTRICTS. AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, THE B.R.C.
2 WAS PRESENTED WITH 19 REDISTRICTING PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION.
3 OF THESE, 17 RECEIVED FULL ANALYSIS AND PRESENTATION AT B.R.C.
4 MEETINGS. REGARDING THE TWO THAT WERE NOT REVIEWED, ONE
5 REFLECTED 16 DISTRICTS, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE A VOTER-APPROVED
6 CHARTER AMENDMENT AND ONE WAS RESCINDED AFTER THE AUTHOR
7 SUBMITTED A REVISED PLAN. AFTER CAREFUL REVIEW OF THE 17
8 PLANS, ALONG WITH THE CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY
9 AND CORRESPONDENCE PROVIDED TO THE B.R.C. OVER THE PAST FIVE
10 MONTHS, THE COMMITTEE REQUESTED CONSIDERATION OF TWO
11 ADDITIONAL PLANS. THE FIRST REQUEST WITH CERTAIN ADJUSTMENTS
12 TO THE BENCHMARK OR CURRENT A-1, PLAN A-1. STAFF WILL PROVIDE
13 A MORE DETAILED PRESENTATION ON THIS PLAN AT THE CONCLUSION OF
14 MY REMARKS. BUT THIS REVISED PLAN MOVED TWO CITIES, WEST
15 COVINA AND SANTA FE SPRINGS, THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF
16 SOUTH WHITTIER AND PORTIONS OF THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF
17 ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY OF WEST HILLS,
18 UNITING THEM IN A SINGLE DISTRICT. TOTAL DEVIATION OF THIS
19 PLAN IS 1.69 PERCENT. THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE MOVED IS 150,121.
20 AND THE NUMBER OF COMMUNITIES SPLIT IS 35. THE SECOND REQUEST
21 WAS FOR MINOR ADJUSTMENTS TO A PLAN SUBMITTED BY A COALITION
22 OF COMMUNITY GROUPS, THE L.A. C., B.O.S., AFRICAN-AMERICAN
23 PLAN, WHICH IS DESIGNATED AS S-1. AGAIN, STAFF WILL PROVIDE
24 FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS PLAN IN A MOMENT, BUT IT REFLECTS
25 SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE CURRENT DISTRICTS AND WOULD MOVE



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1 ALMOST 3.4 MILLION RESIDENTS TO A NEW DISTRICT. ALSO THE TOTAL
2 DEVIATIONS OF THIS PLAN IS 2.81 PERCENT. AND THE MEMBER OF
3 COMMUNITIES SPLIT IS 34. OUTSIDE COUNSEL PROVIDED THE B.R.C.
4 WITH PRELIMINARY LEGAL ANALYSIS INDICATING THAT NEITHER PLAN
5 APPEARED LIKELY TO VIOLATE APPLICABLE LAWS OR LEGAL PRECEDENT,
6 INCLUDING SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. COMMITTEE
7 MEMBERS FAVORING THE REVISED A-1 STRESSED CONCERNS OVER THE
8 MAJOR CHANGES IN CURRENT DISTRICTS IF THE REVISED S-1 WERE
9 ADOPTED AND THE RESULTING DISRUPTION IN CURRENT RELATIONSHIPS,
10 COMMUNITIES OF INTERESTS AND VOTING DEFERRAL, WHICH IS
11 DELAYING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO VOTE. THESE MEMBERS
12 ALSO CITED THE OVERWHELMING ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMENTS TO THE
13 B.R.C. THAT RECOMMEND LITTLE IF ANY CHANGE IN THE
14 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO VOTE IN FAVOR
15 OF THE REVISED S-1 CITED WHAT THEY BELIEVED WAS AN
16 OVERCONCENTRATION OF HISPANICS IN THE CURRENT FIRST DISTRICT
17 AND THE NEED TO CREATE A SECOND HISPANIC CITIZEN VOTING AGE
18 POPULATION DISTRICT IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 2 OF THE
19 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THEY ALSO FELT S-1 ACHIEVED OTHER
20 REDISTRICT OBJECTIVES INCLUDING UNITING COMMUNITIES OF
21 INTEREST. AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION AND RESPECTFUL DEBATE,
22 THE B.R.C. VOTED 6 TO 4 TO NOT RECOMMEND THE REVISED S-1 AND
23 RATHER TO RECOMMEND TO YOUR BOARD THE REVISED A-1, WHICH IS
24 NOW IDENTIFIED AS B.R.C. RECOMMENDED PLAN A-2. B.R.C.
25 RECOMMENDATION IS BASED ON THE FOLLOWING FACTORS: A-2



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1 MINIMIZES DISRUPTION AND CHANGE IN CURRENT DISTRICTS. A-2
2 COMPLIES WITH THE ONE PERSON ONE VOTE PRINCIPLE BY
3 SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCING OVERALL POPULATION DEVIATION AMONG THE
4 DISTRICTS. A-2 COMPLIES WITH OTHER LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND
5 PRECEDENT. A-2 RESPECTS COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND DOES NOT
6 CREATE ANY ADDITIONAL CITY SPLITS AND, FINALLY, A-2 PRESERVES
7 THE ABILITY OF COHESIVE MINORITY GROUPS TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF
8 THEIR CHOICE AND DOES NOT USE RACE AS A PROMINENT FACTOR IN
9 DETERMINING BOUNDARIES. THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. STAFF
10 WILL NOW PROVIDE A MORE DETAILED PRESENTATION ON THE B.R.C.
11 RECOMMENDED PLAN AS WELL AS THE OTHER PLAN VOTED ON BY THE
12 B.R.C., REVISED S-1. AND THEN WE CAN TAKE ANY QUESTIONS YOU
13 MAY HAVE. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **MARTIN ZIMMERMAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MARTIN ZIMMERMAN
18 WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WE WERE, ALONG WITH OUR
19 COLLEAGUES AND COUNTY COUNSEL AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE
20 BOARD, INTERNAL SERVICES AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS, WE WERE
21 STAFFED TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE DURING THEIR
22 DELIBERATIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE JUST A FEW SLIDES WHICH
23 DEPICT AND ILLUSTRATE WHAT COMMISSION CHAIR PETTERSON WAS
24 REFERENCING IN HIS PRESENTATION. THE FIRST CHART HERE SHOWS
25 THE ENTIRE COUNTY AND THE PROPOSED BOUNDARIES UNDER THE



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1 B.R.C.-RECOMMENDED PLAN A-2. SO WE HAVE A PICTURE OF THE
2 ENTIRE COUNTY. NOW, THE AREAS THAT ARE PROPOSED TO MOVE FROM
3 ONE DISTRICT TO ANOTHER ARE OUTLINED IN RED. AND CERTAINLY AT
4 THIS SCALE, IT'S KIND OF HARD TO SEE, SO WE HAVE SOME CLOSER
5 SNAPSHOTS THAT WE WILL SHOW YOU NOW. SO THIS IS THE EASTERN
6 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. LET ME GET OUT MY LITTLE POINTER. SO IN
7 TEMPLETION OF AREAS MOVED UNDER A-2. FIRST IS WEST COVINA. IT
8 IS PROPOSED TO MOVE FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT TO THE FIRST
9 DISTRICT. ALONG WITH THAT, YOU SEE AREA DOWN HERE. THIS IS
10 PART OF THE UNINCORPORATED ROWLAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY. AND IT
11 IS PROPOSED TO MOVE FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT INTO THE FOURTH
12 DISTRICT. OVER HERE, YOU SEE THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS, AND
13 THAT IS PROPOSED TO MOVE FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT TO THE FOURTH
14 DISTRICT. AND THEN FINALLY YOU SEE THE AREA HERE OF SOUTH
15 WHITTIER, PART OF THE UNINCORPORATED SOUTH WHITTIER COMMUNITY,
16 AND THAT IS AGAIN PROPOSED TO MOVE FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT TO
17 THE FOURTH DISTRICT. SO THIS AREA IN HERE ENCOMPASSES BOTH
18 SANTA FE SPRINGS AND SOUTH WHITTIER. AND THEN WE HAVE A BLOWUP
19 OF THE OTHER AREA. THIS IS THE OTHER PROPOSED CHANGE IN A-2.
20 AND IT IS A PART OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COMMUNITY OF WEST
21 HILLS MOVING FROM THE FIFTH TO THE THIRD. YES. FIFTH DISTRICT
22 TO THE THIRD DISTRICT. SO THOSE ARE THE CHANGES. THE NEXT MAP?
23 THIS DEPICTS FOR YOU THE ACTUAL CHANGES IN POPULATION UNDER A-
24 2. SO ACROSS HERE YOU SEE THE DISTRICTS WHERE POPULATION MOVED
25 FROM. AND ALONG HERE YOU SEE THE POPULATION MOVE TO. SO, FOR



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1 EXAMPLE, IN DISTRICT 1, 39,520 PEOPLE WERE MOVED FROM DISTRICT
2 1 TO DISTRICT 4. AND THAT'S PREDOMINANTLY SANTA FE SPRINGS AND
3 SOUTH WHITTIER. AND THEN OVER HERE YOU SEE THAT 106,869 WERE
4 MOVED FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT TO THE FIRST DISTRICT, THAT'S
5 PREDOMINANTLY WEST COVINA. AND THEN AS CHAIR PETTERSON
6 INDICATED, THE TOTAL POPULATION MOVE FROM ONE DISTRICT TO
7 ANOTHER UNDER THIS PLAN IS 150,000. THIS CHART INDICATES THE
8 POPULATION AMONG THE DISTRICTS AND THE DEVIATIONS. SO BACK
9 HERE, THIS IS THE PLAN THAT THE BOARD ADOPTED IN 2001,
10 ACHIEVING A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 1.4. THIS IS THE SITUATION THAT
11 PRESENTED THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE THIS YEAR, SO YOU HAD
12 EXISTING DISTRICTS, BUT 2010 CENSUS FIGURES. AND SO OBVIOUSLY
13 THEY HAD GROWN OUT OF BALANCE OVER THE 10 YEARS. AND THEY HAD
14 A NEW POPULATION DEVIATION OF 9.97. WITH PLAN A-2 AND THE
15 ADJUSTMENTS THAT I JUST ENUMERATED, YOU NOW HAVE A DEVIATION
16 OF 1.69. THIS CHART INDICATES RACE AND ETHNICITY CATEGORIES
17 AMONG THE DIFFERENT DISTRICTS, AND THESE ARE THE CATEGORIES
18 USED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. AND IT'S VOTING AGE
19 CITIZENS BY THOSE CATEGORIES BY DISTRICT. SO IN THIS COLUMN
20 HERE, YOU SEE THAT WE HAVE AN ESTIMATED 5.6 MILLION OF THE 9.8
21 MILLION TOTAL POPULATION, ESTIMATE OF 5.6 MILLION IS CITIZEN
22 VOTING AGE POPULATION. AND THEN IT GOES DISTRICT, I'M SORRY,
23 IT GOES CATEGORY BY CATEGORY. HISPANIC, WHITE, AFRICAN-
24 AMERICAN, ASIAN, ETCETERA. AND IT GOES DOWN DISTRICTS 1



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1 THROUGH 5 AS THE DIFFERENT PERCENTAGES IN EACH DISTRICT. THAT
2 CONCLUDES THE STAFF PRESENTATION ON PLAN A-2.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. JUSTIN LEVITT? JUSTIN LEVITT
5 WILL NOW PROVIDE A 15-MINUTE OVERVIEW. YES.

6

7 **JUSTIN LEVITT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR, SUPERVISORS. I
8 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU HERE TODAY. MY NAME
9 IS JUSTIN LEVITT, I'M AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LAW AT LOYOLA
10 LAW SCHOOL HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND I'M HERE TODAY TO PRESENT
11 TO YOU THE FINDINGS OF THE MINORITY REPORT AS MR. PEDERSON
12 MENTIONED, THERE WAS A DISSENTING VIEW FROM THE BOUNDARY
13 REVIEW COMMITTEE THAT VERY STRONGLY EMPHASIZED THE OBLIGATIONS
14 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND TODAY, IN PRESENTING THAT
15 MINORITY REPORT, I'D LIKE TO FOCUS ON OUR CONCLUSIONS OF WHAT
16 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT REQUIRES OF YOU AND REQUIRES OF THE L.A.
17 COUNTY BOARD IN MAKING THIS DECISION SO THAT YOU CAN BE AS
18 INFORMED AS POSSIBLE. AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE REPORT
19 THAT WE PREPARED HAS SINCE BEEN UPDATED AND I THINK YOU'VE ALL
20 BEEN PROVIDED WITH A COPY OF THOSE UPDATED MATERIALS RUNS TO
21 414 PAGES OF VERY CAREFUL ANALYSIS ABOUT EXACTLY WHAT THE
22 SITUATION IS IN LOS ANGELES AND WHAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
23 WOULD REQUIRE. AND IT'S THE MINORITY VIEW AND MY VIEW AS A
24 PROFESSOR OF VOTING RIGHTS LAW AND OF ELECTION LAW THAT THE
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RISKS LEGAL ACTION THAT COULD JEOPARDIZE



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1 ALL OF THE VERY HARD WORK OF THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE AND
2 MUCH OF THE HARD WORK OF INDIVIDUALS COMING HERE TO TESTIFY
3 BECAUSE THERE'S A VERY REAL CONCERN HERE ABOUT MEETING THE
4 OBLIGATIONS OF THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965. UNDER
5 BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW, THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IS OF TOP
6 PRIORITY, IS OF PREMIER PRIORITY FOR THIS COUNTY BOARD IN THE
7 REDISTRICTING PROCESS. BOTH FEDERAL LAW IN ITSELF AND STATE LAW
8 REFERENCING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT REPEATEDLY REAFFIRMS THAT IT
9 IS AMONG THE MOST IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS. AS YOU KNOW, THE
10 VOTING RIGHTS ACT CONSIDERS PLANS THAT INTENTIONALLY DILUTE
11 MINORITY VOTING POWER. THAT'S WHAT THE GARZA LITIGATION OF THE
12 1990S WAS ABOUT. THAT'S IN PART THE REASON FOR THE CONSENT
13 DECREE LEADING THROUGH THE 2000 CYCLE. NOW HERE FOR THE FIRST
14 TIME THAT THE COUNTY BOARD IS BEING CALLED ON TO DRAW
15 DISTRICTS, FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN YET
16 SUBJECT TO A LAWSUIT OR UNDER FEDERAL SUPERVISION, I WANT TO
17 FOCUS ON A DIFFERENT OBLIGATION OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND
18 THAT IS THE OBLIGATION TO AVOID PLANS THAT HAVE THE EFFECT IN
19 THE TOTALITY OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF DILUTING VOTING POWER OF
20 MINORITIES. AND IN PARTICULAR OF RELEVANCE TO YOU HERE TODAY
21 OF RELEVANCE TO ALL OF THE VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES, THE MINORITY
22 GROUP THAT I'LL BE SPEAKING OF LATINO MINORITY GROUP WITHIN
23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE DATA THAT I'VE SEEN, VERY CAREFUL,
24 AGAIN, 414 PAGES OF INFORMATION. AND THAT INCLUDES ALL OF THE
25 DATA THAT'S BEEN MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE, MOST OF WHICH WE



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1 PREPARED ON OUR OWN AND OFFERED TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW
2 COMMITTEE AND OFFERED TO THE SUPERVISORS NOW, INDICATES THAT
3 THERE IS A LEGAL OBLIGATION TO CREATE TWO DISTRICTS IN WHICH
4 THE LATINO VOTERS HAVE THE EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT
5 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE. THAT MEANS TWO DISTRICTS WHERE THE
6 LATINO POPULATION RELIABLY, NOT ALWAYS, BUT RELIABLY CONTROLS
7 THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT IF YOU
8 BELIEVE THAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT REQUIRES ANY DRAWING OF
9 DISTRICTS WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THEN THE NUMBERS FURTHER
10 INDICATE THAT YOU MUST DRAW TWO DISTRICTS WHERE LATINO VOTERS
11 HAVE THE EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF CHOICE.
12 THAT IS, THE SAME STATISTICS THAT SHOW AN OBLIGATION TO
13 PREPARE SOME DISTRICTS UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT INDICATE A
14 CLEAR OBLIGATION TO US AND TO THE MINORITY THAT THERE IS AN
15 OBLIGATION TO DRAW TWO DISTRICTS FOR LATINOS HAVE THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF CHOICE. I'D LIKE TO WALK
17 VERY BRIEFLY THROUGH THAT CONCLUSION, I KNOW YOU HAVE LEARNED
18 COUNCIL WHO HAVE BEEN ADVISING YOU THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS. I
19 WANT TO PRESENT OUR CONCLUSIONS ON WHY WE BELIEVE THIS TO BE
20 THE CASE. THERE ARE THREE THRESHOLD CONDITIONS BEFORE THE
21 VOTING RIGHTS ACT IMPOSES AN OBLIGATION. AND THE DATA WE'VE
22 SEEN SHOWS THAT ALL THREE THRESHOLD CONDITIONS ARE MET HERE.
23 FIRST, THE GROUP IN QUESTION HAS TO BE LARGE ENOUGH TO BE A
24 MAJORITY IN A COMPACT DISTRICT. AND GIVEN THE STATISTICS
25 INCLUDING SOME OF THE STATISTICS PREPARED BY YOUR STAFF, THE



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1 LATINO COMMUNITY IS LARGE ENOUGH TO BE A MAJORITY IN TWO
2 COMPACT DISTRICTS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. PLAN S-2
3 ISN'T THE ONLY CONFIGURATION THAT MAKES THIS POSSIBLE, BUT IT
4 DEMONSTRATES THAT THIS IS IN FACT POSSIBLE. ONE GROUP, ONE
5 BRANCH OF THIS COMMUNITY RUNS ROUGHLY FROM BELL NORTH AND WEST
6 ALONG THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, ALONG THE 101 AND THE 5 FREEWAYS
7 INTO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. ONE GROUP, ONE COMMUNITY RUNS
8 ROUGHLY FROM DOWNEY NORTH AND EAST ALONG THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER
9 AND THE 605 INTO THE EASTERN PART OF LOS ANGELES. THOSE ARE
10 TWO DISTINCT COMMUNITIES. BOTH ARE COMPACT UNDER PREVAILING
11 COURT TESTS. IN BOTH AREAS, IN BOTH OF THESE AREAS LATINOS
12 MAKE UP THE MAJORITY OF THE CITIZENS VOTING AGE POPULATION.
13 THAT'S THE FIRST THRESHOLD FOR INCLUSION UNDER THE VOTING
14 RIGHTS ACT. THE SECOND AND THIRD THRESHOLDS DEAL WITH
15 POLARIZED VOTING. WHETHER OR NOT LATINOS USUALLY VOTE TOGETHER
16 FOR THE SAME TYPES OF CANDIDATES, WHETHER OR NOT NON-LATINOS,
17 THE REST OF THE POPULATION, USUALLY VOTES DIFFERENTLY FOR
18 DIFFERENT TYPES OF CANDIDATES. AND WHETHER LATINO CANDIDATES
19 ARE IN THE NORMAL COURSE, WHETHER THEY ARE USUALLY, NOT
20 ALWAYS, BUT USUALLY DEFEATED OR WOULD BE DEFEATED IF DISTRICTS
21 WERE NOT DRAWN SPECIFICALLY TO PROTECT THEIR VOTING CHOICES.
22 THOSE ARE THE THRESHOLD TESTS UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND
23 WE BELIEVE THEY'RE MET. COURTS HAVE SAID REPEATEDLY THAT IN
24 EVALUATING LATINO OPPORTUNITIES, NOT ALL RACES ARE CREATED
25 EQUAL. YOU CANNOT MERELY LOOK TO EVERY ELECTION THAT'S EVER



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1 OCCURRED WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BORDERS. THE MOST
2 PROBATIVE ELECTIONS FOR DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT THE LATINO
3 MINORITY VOTES IN A POLARIZED FASHION, WHETHER THE REST OF THE
4 VOTERS VOTE IN A POLARIZED FASHION, WHETHER THE LATINOS HAVE
5 THE EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES, THE MOST
6 PROBATIVE ELECTIONS ARE ELECTIONS WHERE YOU CAN SEE WHETHER
7 THE VOTERS ARE ACTING PRIMARILY BASED ON RACE OR ETHNICITY.
8 MORE RECENT ELECTIONS ARE BETTER THAN OLDER ELECTIONS. RACES
9 WHERE A LATINO IS RUNNING AGAINST A NON-LATINO ARE BETTER THAN
10 RACES WHERE THERE IS NO LATINO CANDIDATE. RACES WITHOUT
11 PARTISANSHIP IN THE MIX, EITHER PRIMARIES OR NONPARTISAN
12 GENERAL ELECTIONS ARE MORE PROBATIVE. RACES WHERE THERE'S NO
13 INCUMBENT ARE BETTER THAN RACES WHERE THERE IS AN INCUMBENT.
14 THESE ARE ALL TESTS THAT COURTS HAVE CONSISTENTLY SAID POINT
15 TO THE MOST RELIABLE ELECTIONS TMOST MEANINGFUL ELECTIONS ON
16 WHICH TO ASSESS RESPONSIBILITY UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
17 DOESN'T MEAN THAT OTHER ELECTIONS ARE WORTHLESS. BUT THE
18 ELECTIONS THAT MATTER ARE A PARTICULAR SET WHERE YOU CAN
19 REALLY SEE HOW THE VOTERS PREFER TO VOTE. AND THE COURTS HAVE
20 ALSO SAID THIS IS VERY, VERY CLEAR THAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
21 CONSIDERS AGGREGATE TRENDS. NOT WHETHER IN AN ANOMALOUS RACE
22 IN ONE OR TWO CHERRY PICKED RACES, WHETHER A LATINO CANDIDATE
23 OF CHOICE HAS WON, BUT USUALLY AND NORMALLY ARE THE LATINO
24 CANDIDATES, DO THEY HAVE AN EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO BE
25 ELECTED. IN 414 PAGES WORTH OF DATA, A POLITICAL SCIENTIST



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1 NAMED DR. MATT BARRETO, VERY WELL RENOWNED AND VERY WELL
2 REGARDED, HAS ANALYZED RACES WITHIN L.A. COUNTY FOCUSING ON
3 THE RACES THAT ARE MOST PROBATIVE UNDER THE LEGAL TEST. AND I
4 WANT TO EMPHASIZE UNTIL RIGHT NOW, THIS IS THE ONLY DATA THAT
5 WE HAVE SEEN THAT INDICATES AT ALL WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS AN
6 OBLIGATION UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THERE IS NO OTHER
7 PUBLIC INFORMATION I'VE SEEN THAT INDICATES WHETHER OR NOT
8 CURRENT VOTING PATTERNS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE POLARIZED.
9 DR. BARRETO ANALYZED 36 CONTESTS WITHIN L.A. COUNTY OVER THE
10 LAST 16 YEARS. NINETEEN OF THESE CONTESTS WERE IN THE LAST
11 FIVE YEARS; THAT IS, FROM 2006 ON, VERY RECENT INDEED. THERE
12 WERE 30 OUT OF THE 36 CASES WHERE THERE WAS A CLEAR LATINO
13 CANDIDATE OF CHOICE, WHERE THE LATINO COMMUNITY PREFERRED ONE
14 PARTICULAR TYPE OF CANDIDATE, AND THE REST OF THE COMMUNITY
15 DID NOT. THREE OF THE RACES WERE VERY ODD IN THAT THERE WAS NO
16 SUBSTANTIAL OPPONENT WHERE A LATINO CANDIDATE OF CHOICE RAN
17 ESSENTIALLY AGAINST NO ONE. AND THOSE RACES SKEWED THE RESULTS
18 BUT ARE STILL MEANINGFUL IN THAT EVEN WHEN THERE WAS NO
19 SUBSTANTIAL OPPONENT, THERE WAS A LARGE AMOUNT, BETWEEN 40 AND
20 70 PERCENT OF THE NON-LATINO POPULATIONS PREFERRED TO VOTE
21 AGAINST THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF CHOICE THAN TO VOTE FOR AN
22 OPPONENT WHO REALLY WASN'T RUNNING IN THE RACE. TAKING THOSE
23 SKEWED ELECTIONS OUT OF THE MIX, THERE ARE 27 ELECTIONS
24 REMAINING THAT DR. BARRETO ANALYZED. ON AVERAGE IN THESE
25 RACES, 71 PERCENT OF THE LATINOS PREFERRED THE LATINO



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1 CANDIDATE; 70 PERCENT OF NON-LATINOS VOTED AGAINST THE LATINO
2 CANDIDATE. THOSE ARE STARK POLARIZATION NUMBERS. THEY'RE NOT
3 QUITE AS HIGH AS ALABAMA IN THE MID-60S. BUT THEY ARE STILL
4 NEVERTHELESS MEANINGFUL. THEY SHOW THAT A SIGNIFICANT MAJORITY
5 OF THE LATINO POPULATION PREFERS TO VOTE TOGETHER AND A
6 SIGNIFICANT MAJORITY OF THE NON-LATINO POPULATION PREFERS TO
7 VOTE AGAINST THOSE CANDIDATES. AND THOSE NUMBERS, 70 FOR, 71
8 PERCENT AGAINST, THOSE ARE CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATES. IF YOU
9 INCLUDE ALL 36 CONTESTS OVER THE LAST 16 YEARS THAT ARE MOST
10 PROBATIVE FOR THE COURTS, THE AVERAGE VOTE AGAINST LATINO
11 CANDIDATES GOES UP TO 76 PERCENT. IF YOU INCLUDE JUST THE
12 NEWEST ELECTIONS, JUST THE ELECTIONS SINCE 2006, THE AVERAGE
13 VOTE AGAINST A LATINO CANDIDATE GOES UP TO 76 PERCENT. IF YOU
14 INCLUDE THE GOLD STANDARD ELECTIONS, THE ELECTIONS THAT MEAN
15 THE MOST TO THE COURTS, NON-PARTISAN, JUDICIAL ELECTIONS WHERE
16 THERE'S RELATIVELY LITTLE INFORMATION ABOUT EACH CANDIDATE,
17 THE MOST RECENT VERSIONS OF THOSE, 82 PERCENT OF THE NON-
18 LATINO POPULATION VOTES AGAINST THE LATINO POPULATION OF
19 CHOICE. THAT IS TO SAY, IF YOU INCLUDE THE ELECTIONS THAT ARE
20 MORE RELIABLE IN SHOWING POLARIZED VOTING, THE LEVELS OF
21 POLARIZED VOTING RISE. IT'S NOT ENOUGH UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS
22 ACT TO SHOW THAT VOTING IS POLARIZED, ALTHOUGH I THINK IT'S
23 CLEAR THAT IT IS. AND BY THE WAY, THE STATES' REDISTRICTING
24 COMMISSION ALSO COMMISSIONED A STUDY REGARDING LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY. THEY, TOO, CONCLUDED THAT VOTING WAS STARKLY POLARIZED



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1 WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WHEN THEY WERE DRAWING LINES
2 FOR THE STATE, THEY DREW LINES IN ORDER TO ABIDE BY THE VOTING
3 RIGHTS ACT AND ABIDE BY THIS FINDING OF POLARIZATION. IT'S NOT
4 ENOUGH TO SHOW THAT VOTING IS POLARIZED. THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
5 ALSO REQUIRES A SHOWING THAT THE LATINO CANDIDATES' CHOICE
6 USUALLY LOSES. THAT LATINOS VOTE FOR THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
7 CHOICE. THAT NON-LATINOS VOTE AGAINST THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
8 CHOICE. AND THAT THIS MEANS THAT THE LATINO POPULATION USUALLY
9 LOSES. AND HERE, TOO, 414 PAGES OF RESEARCH SHOW THIS TO BE
10 THE CASE. IN THE NORMAL COURSE, THE LATINO POPULATION CANNOT
11 ELECT ITS CANDIDATE OF CHOICE WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN
12 THE 27 CONTESTS I MENTIONED BEFORE, THE LATINO-PREFERRED
13 CANDIDATE LOSES 16 OF THOSE RACES. AND 10 OF THE REMAINING
14 RACES THERE ARE FIVE QUESTION MARKS. THIS IS A CONSERVATIVE
15 ESTIMATE LOSING 16 OUT OF 27 FITS WELL WITHIN THE VOTING
16 RIGHTS ACT PARAMETERS, THAT TRIGGERS AN OBLIGATION UNDER THE
17 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. BUT THIS IS A CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE. IF YOU
18 LOOK MOST RECENTLY SINCE 2006 OF THE 16 RACES THAT I MENTIONED
19 BEFORE, THE LATINO-PREFERRED CANDIDATE LOSES 11 OUT OF 16.
20 THAT IS NOT TO DENY THERE ARE SOME VERY HIGH PROFILE WINS. THE
21 LATINO COMMUNITY HAS HAD SOME SIGNIFICANT SUCCESS. SHERIFF
22 BACA'S RACE IN 1996. MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA'S RACE IN 2005. CITY
23 ATTORNEY DELGADILLO'S RACE IN 2001. SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S RACE
24 FROM A DISTRICT TAILORED TO GIVE THE LATINO COMMUNITY AN
25 OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF CHOICE. BUT THE COURTS ARE



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1 ALSO CLEAR THAT A FEW HIGH PROFILE RACES DO NOT DEFEAT THE
2 CONCLUSION THAT LATINOS GENERALLY LOSE MORE THAN THEY WIN WHEN
3 VOTING IS POLARIZED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ALSO OF NOTE, THE
4 MOST PROMINENT RACES HERE, MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA AN AND CITY
5 ATTORNEY DELGADILLO WERE RACES WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
6 ASSUMING THAT THAT MATTERED, THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS THAT
7 YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU, A-2 PLAN IN PARTICULAR, SPLITS THE CITY
8 OF L.A., SPLITS THE HEART OF THE L.A. LATINO COMMUNITY INTO
9 FOUR DIFFERENT PIECES. THIS IS QUINTESSENTIAL CRACKING,
10 DIVIDING THE LATINO COMMUNITY UP. SO IF THE CITY OF L.A. WERE
11 MEANINGFUL, WOULD THE CURRENT DISTRICTS DO, WHAT THE A-2 PLAN
12 DOES IS ESSENTIALLY FRACTURE THE VOTING POWER OF THAT
13 COMMUNITY. BUT MORE IMPORTANT, THE WINS OF MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA,
14 THE WINS OF CITY ATTORNEY DELGADILLO DON'T DO ANYTHING FOR THE
15 LATINO COMMUNITY OUTSIDE OF THE CITY BOUNDS. THEY DO NOT GIVE
16 THAT COMMUNITY AN EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE VOTERS OF
17 DOWNEY, LYNWOOD, BELLFLOWER, OF NORWALK, OF WHITTIER, OF
18 BURBANK, OF SAN FERNANDO, OF A LOT OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS
19 OUTSIDE OF THE CITY BOUNDS. THE REMAINDER OF THE VOTING RIGHTS
20 ACT, YOU HAVE 400 PAGES ON IT, SPEAKS TO THE TOTALITY OF
21 CIRCUMSTANCES. I THINK IT'S CLEAR THAT IF THERE'S POLARIZED
22 VOTING, IF THE LATINO COMMUNITY LOSES, THERE'S AN OBLIGATION
23 TO DRAW TWO EFFECTIVE DISTRICTS. THIS ALSO SHOWS THAT A-2 DOES
24 NOT MEET THAT GOAL. IF I MIGHT CONTINUE FOR JUST ANOTHER 30
25 SECONDS, MR. MAYOR.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, 30 SECONDS, GO.

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4 **JUSTIN LEVITT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE A-2 PLANS FROM 2006
5 ON, DR. BARRETO HAS CLEARLY SHOWN THAT THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
6 CHOICE DOES NOT WIN ELECTIONS OUTSIDE OF DISTRICT 1. OUTSIDE
7 OF THE ONE DISTRICT THAT IS DRAWN SPECIFICALLY TO GIVE THE
8 LATINO COMMUNITY AN EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES
9 OF CHOICE. IN PARTICULAR, DISTRICT 4, THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
10 CHOICE LOSES EVERY SINGLE ELECTION. THIS IS NOT AN EFFECTIVE
11 DISTRICT, AND I BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTY BOARD HAS THE
12 OBLIGATION TO DRAW TWO. THAT'S THE SUBSTANCE OF THE MINORITY
13 REPORT AND I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
14 PRESENT.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MS. BRILL, LAURA
17 BRILL OUR LEGAL COUNSEL.

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19 **LAURA BRILL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS.
20 I'M LAURA BRILL OF KENDALL BRILL AND KLIEGER. AND I'VE BEEN
21 ASKED TO PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS
22 ACT TO ASSIST YOU IN THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS. BROADLY
23 SPEAKING, SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT PROHIBITS VOTING
24 PRACTICES THAT DENY OR ABRIDGE THE RIGHT TO VOTE ON A VARIETY
25 OF BASES, INCLUDING RACE AND LANGUAGE MINORITY STATUS. IN THE



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1 CONTEXT OF REDISTRICTING, THE SUPREME COURT HAS RECOGNIZED THE
2 CLAIM FOR VOTE DILUTION THAT CAN ARISE FROM THE DRAWING OF
3 DISTRICT LINES OR THE MAINTENANCE OF AT-LARGE VOTING SYSTEMS.
4 A PLAINTIFF SEEKING TO ESTABLISH SUCH A CLAIM HAS TO SHOW THAT
5 THERE ARE THREE PRECONDITIONS THAT ARE SATISFIED AS TO THE
6 DISTRICT LINES THAT ARE CHALLENGED. THE PLAINTIFF THEN HAS THE
7 BURDEN TO GO ON AND SHOW THAT UNDER THE TOTALITY OF THE
8 CIRCUMSTANCES THE CHALLENGED DISTRICT LINES RESULT IN THE
9 MINORITY GROUP HAVING LESS OPPORTUNITY THAN OTHER MEMBERS OF
10 THE ELECTORATE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS AND TO
11 ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE. THE THREE PRECONDITIONS IN
12 THE SUPREME COURT'S GINGLES CASE, WHICH IS THE LEAD SUPREME
13 COURT CASE ESTABLISHING A VOTE DILUTION CLAIM, ARE THAT THE
14 MINORITY GROUP IS SUFFICIENTLY LARGE AND GEOGRAPHICALLY
15 COMPACT TO CONSTITUTE A MAJORITY IN A SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICT.
16 THE MINORITY GROUP MUST SHOW THAT IT IS POLITICALLY COHESIVE.
17 AND THE MAJORITY, AND THE THIRD PRECONDITION WHICH I'LL GO
18 INTO IN MORE DETAIL FOCUSES ON WHETHER THE MAJORITY VOTES
19 SUFFICIENTLY AS A BLOCK TO ENABLE IT USUALLY TO DEFEAT THE
20 MINORITY'S PREFERRED CANDIDATE. AND THEN THE TOTALITY OF
21 CIRCUMSTANCES TEST GOES ON TO FOCUS ON A VARIETY OF VERY FACT-
22 INTENSIVE INQUIRIES INTO THE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL STATUS OF
23 THE MINORITY GROUP AND THE HISTORY OF THE JURISDICTION
24 INVOLVED. FOLLOWING ON THE PRESENTATION, I WANT TO FOCUS ON
25 GINGLES PRECONDITION THREE AND WHAT IT DOES AND DOES NOT



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1 REQUIRE IN TERMS OF CRAFTING DISTRICT LINES. THERE ARE THREE
2 MAIN ISSUES ABOUT THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 2. IN PARTICULAR
3 THAT SHOULD BE CLARIFIED FOLLOWING PROFESSOR LEVITT'S REMARKS.
4 FIRST IS: WHAT EXACTLY IS THE LEGAL STANDARD THAT A PLAINTIFF
5 NEEDS TO SATISFY UNDER GINGLES PRECONDITION THREE? AND WHAT
6 ELECTIONS ARE RELEVANT TO MEETING THAT STANDARD? THE SECOND
7 IS: WHAT IS MEANT BY THE TERM POLARIZED VOTING? AND WHAT IS
8 ITS SIGNIFICANCE IN THE ANALYSIS? AND THE THIRD IS: WHEN, IF
9 EVER, DOES SECTION 2 REQUIRE THE CREATION OF A
10 MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICT? THE GINGLES THIRD PRECONDITION IN
11 THE CONTEXT OF A VOTING RIGHTS ACT SECTION 2 CHALLENGE
12 REQUIRES A PLAINTIFF TO SHOW THAT UNDER THE DISTRICT LINES
13 DRAWN, THE GROUPS' CANDIDATE OF CHOICE IS USUALLY DEFEATED.
14 THE LAW IS VERY CLEAR THAT SECTION 2 DOES NOT CREATE A RIGHT
15 TO CONTROL ELECTION OUTCOMES IN ANY RELEVANT DISTRICT. AND
16 WHEN PROFESSOR LEVITT WAS SPEAKING, HE DESCRIBED THE STANDARD
17 IN A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT WAYS, SOME OF WHICH ARE CONFUSING.
18 AT ONE POINT HE USED THE TERM-- AT SOME POINTS HE USED THE
19 TERM "EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY." OTHERS HE USED THE TERM
20 "RELIABLY CONTROLS THE OUTCOME OF ELECTIONS." AT OTHER TIMES
21 HE USED THE PHRASE "OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF
22 CHOICE." WHAT THE COURTS FOCUS ON IS WHETHER THERE IS AN EQUAL
23 OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF CHOICE. SECTION 2 DOES NOT
24 CREATE A RIGHT TO CONTROL ELECTION OUTCOMES. USING THESE TERMS
25 CAN BE CONFUSING. AND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN EQUAL



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1 OPPORTUNITY AND A RIGHT TO CONTROL ELECTION OUTCOMES IS
2 ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN A MULTI-ETHNIC DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU
3 HAVE NOT JUST A SINGLE MINORITY GROUP, BUT MANY. IF DISTRICTS
4 ARE CRAFTED THAT TO DRAW DISTRICT LINES THAT VIRTUALLY
5 GUARANTEE THE ELECTION OF ONE MINORITY GROUP, THE EFFECT CAN
6 BE THAT THE VOICES OF OTHER MINORITY GROUPS ARE MINIMIZED AND
7 SO AS CAN BE THEIR INFLUENCE. THE NEXT QUESTION IS: WHAT DOES
8 IT MEAN TO BE A DISTRICT WHERE A GROUP'S CANDIDATE OF CHOICE
9 IS NOT USUALLY DEFEATED? THE CASES ARE CLEAR THAT THIS IS NOT
10 PURELY A NUMERICAL TEST. THE COURTS DO NOT SIMPLY ADD UP
11 ELECTIONS AND LOOK AT THE WIN COLUMN AND LOOK AT THE LOSS
12 COLUMN AND REACH A RESULT. THE COURTS WEIGH ELECTIONS
13 DIFFERENTLY. SOME OF THE EXAMPLES ARE WHETHER AN ELECTION IS
14 PARTISAN OR NONPARTISAN, WHETHER IT IS LOCAL OR STATEWIDE,
15 WHETHER IT IS RECENT OR IN THE DISTANT PAST, WHETHER IT
16 INVOLVES MINORITIES RUNNING AGAINST NON-MINORITIES OR WHETHER
17 IT INVOLVES CANDIDATES WHO ARE ONLY NON-MINORITIES. THE
18 PRESENCE OF AN INCUMBENT VERSUS AN ELECTION IN WHICH THERE IS
19 AN OPEN SEAT IS ALSO A RELEVANT FACTOR. AND THE SIMILARITY OF
20 THE OFFICE INVOLVED, INCLUDING WHETHER IT IS A JUDICIAL
21 ELECTION OR A POLITICAL ELECTION. AND LOOKING FOR SIMILARITIES
22 IN THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF ELECTIONS THAT ARE AT ISSUE. SO EVEN
23 THOUGH THE TERM "USUALLY DEFEATS" SOUNDS RATHER SIMPLE, THE
24 ANALYSIS ENDS UP BEING OFTEN QUITE FACT-INTENSIVE WITH COURTS
25 DETERMINING HOW TO WEIGH DIFFERENT ELECTIONS AND HOW THEY BEAR



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1 UPON THE PARTICULAR CHALLENGE BEFORE THEM. IN TERMS OF WHAT
2 ELECTIONS ARE RELEVANT, BOTH ELECTIONS IN THE NINTH CIRCUIT
3 HAS HELD THIS RATHER CLEARLY, BOTH ELECTIONS INVOLVING
4 MINORITIES AND NONMINORITIES ARE RELEVANT AS ARE ELECTIONS
5 INVOLVING NO MINORITY CANDIDATE. AND THE NINTH CIRCUIT HELD
6 THAT IN THE RUIZ VERSUS SANTA MARIA CASE AND OTHER
7 JURISDICTIONS HAVE HELD SIMILARLY. THE NEXT QUESTION I'D LIKE
8 TO ADDRESS AND TO CLARIFY IS WHAT IS MEANT BY THE TERM
9 "POLARIZED VOTING"? AND WHAT IS ITS RELEVANCE? SPECIFICALLY,
10 IF THERE IS SOME DEGREE OF POLARIZED VOTING, DOES THAT MEAN
11 THAT THE JURISDICTION IN QUESTION HAS AN OBLIGATION TO CREATE
12 A MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICT IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH SECTION
13 2? POLARIZED VOTING REFERS TO A CIRCUMSTANCE IN WHICH, ON
14 AGGREGATE, THE MEMBERS OF DIFFERENT RACIAL OR OTHER GROUPS
15 PREFER DIFFERENT CANDIDATES. SOMETIMES YOU WILL SEE OR HEAR
16 THE TERM USED IN A VERY CONFUSING WAY AS A KIND OF SHORTHAND
17 TO REFER TO THE SECOND AND THIRD PRECONDITIONS OF THE GINGLES
18 TEST COMBINED; THAT IS, TO REFER TO MINORITY GROUP COHESION
19 AND THE MAJORITY BLOC VOTING THAT RELIABLY DEFEATS THE
20 MINORITY-PREFERRED CANDIDATE. THIS CAN BE CONFUSING BECAUSE
21 GINGLES REQUIRES MUCH MORE THAN THE SHOWING OF SOME DEGREE OF
22 POLARIZED VOTING, AS INDICATED BEFORE IT REQUIRES SUCH AN
23 EXTENT OF POLARIZED VOTING THAT THE MINORITY CANDIDATE OF
24 CHOICE WILL USUALLY BE DEFEATED. TO PUT IT ANOTHER WAY,
25 POLARIZED VOTING CAN EXIST IN DIFFERENT DEGREES. AND THE FACT



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1 THAT THERE MAY BE SOME DEGREE OF POLARIZED VOTING, EVEN
2 STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT POLARIZED VOTING, IS NOT ENOUGH TO
3 SATISFY GINGLES. I THINK AN EXAMPLE WOULD BE HELPFUL. IF YOU
4 HAVE MINORITIES WITH AN 80 PERCENT PREFERENCE FOR A PARTICULAR
5 CANDIDATE AND YOU HAVE NON-MINORITIES VOTING FOR THAT
6 CANDIDATE AT APPROXIMATELY A 40 PERCENT RATE, IT MAY BE
7 FACTUALLY ACCURATE TO SAY THAT YOU HAVE SOME DEGREE OF
8 POLARIZED VOTING. IT MAY EVEN BE STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT
9 POLARIZED VOTING. BUT DEPENDING UPON THE COMPOSITION OF THE
10 DISTRICT AND THE ELECTION INVOLVED, THAT BALANCE MAY RESULT IN
11 VICTORIES FOR MINORITY-PREFERRED CANDIDATES, AND THEREFORE
12 THAT DEGREE OF POLARIZED VOTING WOULD NOT BE LEGALLY
13 SIGNIFICANT IN TERMS OF EVIDENCING A SECTION 2 VIOLATION;
14 RATHER, IT WOULD SHOW THAT THERE WAS SUFFICIENT CROSSOVER
15 VOTING SO THAT THE MINORITY-PREFERRED CANDIDATE HAS A
16 POSSIBILITY OF BEING ELECTED IN THAT DISTRICT. AND GINGLES'
17 PRECONDITION THREE LOOKS AT THE ABILITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF
18 CHOICE, NOT MERELY TO WHETHER THERE IS SOME DIFFERENCE IN
19 TERMS OF VOTING PREFERENCES. AS THE ABOVE EXAMPLE SUGGESTS,
20 JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE SOME DEGREE OF POLARIZED VOTING DOES NOT
21 MEAN THAT THERE IS AN OBLIGATION TO CREATE A MAJORITY/MINORITY
22 DISTRICT. TO BE SURE, THERE MAY BE TIMES WHERE SECTION 2 MIGHT
23 REQUIRE THE DRAWING OF SUCH A DISTRICT. THAT COULD BE WHERE
24 THE POLARIZED VOTING IS SO EXTREME THAT WITHOUT IT, THE
25 MINORITY-PREFERRED CANDIDATES CANNOT GET ELECTED OR



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1 POTENTIALLY AS A REMEDY WHEN VIOLATIONS HAVE BEEN FOUND. BUT
2 IN GENERAL, COURTS HAVE MADE CLEAR THAT REDISTRICTING BODIES
3 MAY DECIDE FOR THEMSELVES HOW TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 2. I DO
4 WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT SECTION 2 DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE CREATION
5 OF MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICTS. THAT'S CERTAINLY AN OPTION
6 THAT REDISTRICTING BODIES HAVE. IT'S JUST THAT THE VOTING
7 RIGHTS ACT DOES NOT REQUIRE IT OR EVEN NECESSARILY PREFER IT
8 AS A MEANS OF COMPLYING WITH SECTION 2. I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER
9 QUESTIONS THAT THE SUPERVISORS MAY HAVE, OR, MR. MAYOR, IF
10 YOU'D LIKE ME TO DISCUSS THE REPORTS THAT PROFESSOR LEVITT HAS
11 REFERRED TO, I'D BE HAPPY TO DO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT NOW IT'S NOT A DEBATE ON ISSUES.
14 BUT I THINK AT THIS TIME, THANK YOU, DR. LEVITT. I THINK AT
15 THIS TIME EACH SUPERVISOR MAY DIRECT COUNTY STAFF TO SET ANY
16 PLAN FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 6TH AND TO PREPARE THE
17 COMPANY STAFF ANALYSIS AND PROPOSED ORDINANCE. THIS MAY BE
18 DONE ORALLY OR NEXT WEEK AT THE BOARD MEETING WHERE THE PLANS
19 WILL BE CONSIDERED DURING THE HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 6TH.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR?

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** IN MARCH OF THIS YEAR, THE 2010 CENSUS DATA WAS
2 RELEASED INDICATING THAT THE COUNTY'S TOTAL POPULATION GREW BY
3 NEARLY 300,000 DURING THE LAST DECADE. THE CENSUS DATA ALSO
4 SHOWED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN POPULATION SHIFTS AMONG OUR
5 VARIOUS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. SOME DISTRICTS SUCH AS THE
6 FIRST DISTRICT DECREASED IN POPULATION WHILE OTHERS, MOST
7 NOTABLY THE FIFTH DISTRICT, INCREASED IN POPULATION. AS A
8 RESULT OF THESE POPULATION CHANGES, THE COUNTY'S POPULATION
9 MUST BE EQUALIZED AMONG THE VARIOUS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS IN
10 ACCORDANCE WITH THE ONE PERSON ONE VOTE PRINCIPLE REQUIRING
11 THAT RESIDENTS OF A DISTRICT ARE AFFORDED EQUALITY OF
12 REPRESENTATION. IN MAKING ITS RECOMMENDATION TO THIS BOARD THE
13 B.R.C. WAS REQUIRED TO CONSIDER POPULATION EQUALITY UNDER THE
14 ONE-PERSON ONE-VOTE PRINCIPLE AS WELL AS COMPLIANCE WITH
15 SECTION TWO OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT; THE FEDERAL STATUATE
16 WHICH PROHIBITS ANY PRACTICE OR PROCEDURE THAT INTERACTING
17 WITH SOCIAL AND OTHER HISTORICAL CONDITION IMPAIRS THE ABILITY
18 OF MINORITY VOTORS TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE ON AN
19 EQUAL BASIS WITH OTHER VOTORS. IN ADDITION THE B.R.C.
20 CONSIDERED OTHER FACTORS SUCH AS TOPOGRAPHY, GEOGRAPHY,
21 COHESIVENESS, CONTINUITY, INTEGRITY, COMPACTNESS OF TERRITORY
22 AND IMPORTANTLY AS WELL COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST WITHIN THE
23 VARIOUS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. THE B.R.C.'S RECOMMENDED A-2
24 PLAN IS THE END RESULT OF THOSE CONSIDERATIONS. PLAN A-2
25 LOWERS THE TOTAL POPULATION DEVIATION FROM THE BENCHMARK PLAN



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1 FROM 9.97 PERCENT TO WHAT YOU SAW UP THERE 1.69 PERCENT AS
2 VIEWED BY OUTSIDE REDISTRICTING COUNSEL AS BEING COMPLIANT
3 WITH SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND OTHER LEGAL
4 REQUIREMENTS. IN ADDITION PLAN A-2 MINIMIZES DISRUPTIONS AND
5 CHANGE IN THE CURRENT DISTRICTS, RESPECTS COMMUNITIES OF
6 INTEREST AND DOES NOT CREATE ANY ADDITIONAL CITY SPLITS. PLAN
7 A-2 PRESERVES THE ABILITY OF COHESIVE MINORITY GROUPS TO ELECT
8 CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE. BUT DOES NOT USE RACE AS A
9 PREDOMINANT FACTOR IN ADJUSTING THOSE BOUNDARIES. THE B.R.C.
10 HAD A VERY DIFFICULT JOB IN REVIEWING THE VARIOUS DIFFERENT
11 PLANS THAT WERE SUBMITTED BY ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS OF THE
12 PUBLIC. AND A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF TIME AND DISCUSSION WENT
13 INTO PLAN A-2 AND I THINK WE'D ALL BE REMISS IF WE DID NOT
14 THANK THE B.R.C. FOR WHAT THEY PRESENTED US AND WHAT THEY HAVE
15 GONE THROUGH. HOWEVER I BELIEVE THE BOARD CAN MAKE FURTHER
16 IMPROVEMENTS TO PLAN A-2 TO FURTHER UNIFY CITIES AND
17 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST WHILE COMPLYIN WITH THE ONE-PERSON
18 ONE-VOTE PRINCIPLE AND SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
19 DURING THE TIME THAT I HAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING THE
20 RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE HAVE GROWN TO BE
21 ONE OF THE MOST RACIALLY DIVERSE COUNTIES IN THE NATION. PROUD
22 TO REPRESENT A DISTRICT THAT CURRENTLY HAS A MAJORITY LATINO
23 POPULATION AS WELL AS ASIAN AMERICANS, WHITES, AFRICAN-
24 AMERICANS AND SEVERAL OTHER MINORITY POPULATIONS. INDEED WITH
25 MY CURRENT PROPOSED REVISIONS TO PLAN A-2 OF THE LATINO



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1 POPULATION OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT WOULD INCREASE TO OVER 43
2 PERCENT OF FOURTH DISTRICT RESIDENTS. I THEREFORE PROPOSE THAT
3 FURTHER CHANGES BE MADE TO PLAN A-2 AS FOLLOWS. UNITE SILVER
4 LAKE INTO THE FIRST DISTRICT. TWO, UNITE UNINCORPORATED
5 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE INTO THE SECOND DISTRICT. UNITE PLAYA DEL
6 REY INTO THE FOURTH DISTRICT. UNITE UNINCORPORATED WEST
7 WHITTIER INTO THE FOURTH DISTRICT. IN ORDER TO EQUALIZE
8 POPULATION LOST FOR MOVING UNINCORPORATED WHITTIER INTO THE
9 FOURTH DISTRICT FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT, I MOVE THE CITY OF
10 CLAREMONT AND ITS UNINCORPORATED AREAS INTO THE FIRST
11 DISTRICT. AND, SIX, BALANCE THE POPULATIONS OF DISTRICTS 3 AND
12 5 BY REVERSING CLIENT A-2'S SHIFT OF PART OF WEST HILLS. THESE
13 CHANGES REDUCE THE LATINO V.A.P. NUMBERS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT
14 TO EVEN LOWER THAN IN THE PLAN A-2. FURTHERMORE, THESE CHANGES
15 WILL UNIFY COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, INCLUDING FLORENCE-
16 FIRESTONE INTO THE SECOND DISTRICT AND PLAYA DEL REY INTO THE
17 FOURTH DISTRICT. APPRECIATE THE COMMITMENT AND HARD WORK AND
18 DILIGENCE OF THE B.R.C. IN BRINGING THESE CHANGES FORTH TO
19 FURTHER UNITE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST WHILE NOT CREATING ANY
20 ADDITIONAL CITY SPLITS. THIS PLAN ALSO MEETS THE GOALS OF OUR
21 REDISTRICTING PROCESS, ENSURING EQUALITY OF REPRESENTATION
22 WITHOUT DRAMATIC SHIFTS OF MILLIONS OF OUR RESIDENTS INTO NEW
23 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS I PUT THAT ON FOR THE SIXTH.
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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY OTHER? IF NOT, WE'LL CALL UP THE
2 PUBLIC OFFICIALS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP WITH US AT THIS TIME.
3 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, MAYOR BOSICH? TONY MENDOZA FROM
4 THE STATE ASSEMBLY. MAYOR ROBERT KENNEDY FROM AVALON. MAYOR
5 LARRY FORESTER FROM SIGNAL HILL. BECAUSE OF THE LARGE NUMBER
6 OF EVEN PUBLIC OFFICIALS THAT ARE SIGNED UP, TRY AND KEEP YOUR
7 REMARKS TO ONE MINUTE WOULD BE APPRECIATED. AND WE HAVE SIGNAL
8 HILL, WE HAVE AVALON, WE HAVE ARCADIA. ASSEMBLYMAN MENDOZA.
9 OKAY. WE HAVE FOUR.

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11 **TONY MENDOZA:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR
12 GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. I AM ASSEMBLYMAN
13 TONY MENDOZA. I REPRESENT THE 56TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT WHICH
14 INCLUDES THE CITIES OF ARTESIA, CERRITOS, HAWAIIAN GARDENS,
15 LAKEWOOD, NORWALK, SANTA FE SPRINGS, WHITTIER, UNINCORPORATED
16 SOUTH WHITTIER, LOS NIETOS AND WINTER PARK. I'M HERE TO SPEAK
17 IN FAVOR OF REDISTRICTING PLAN S-1. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE
18 S-1 PLAN BECAUSE THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY DESERVES TO HAVE
19 REPRESENTATION AND A VOICE. THE STATUS QUO PLAN A-2 DOES NOT
20 DO ANYTHING FOR THE SAN GABRIEL CITIES BECAUSE THE COASTAL
21 PART OF THE DISTRICT CONTINUES TO DOMINATE ELECTIONS AND
22 THEREFORE ITS REPRESENTATION. WITHIN MY DISTRICT, THE
23 UNINCORPORATED AREA SUFFER FROM INADEQUATE LEVEL OF SHERIFF
24 PATROLS, INADEQUATE STREET MAINTENANCE, NO CURBS AND IN SOME
25 AREAS NO STREETLIGHTS. UNTIL YOU VOTE FOR A PLAN THAT WILL



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1 TRULY HAVE A SAN GABRIEL DISTRICT, WE WILL CONTINUED TO BE
2 NEGLECTED COMPARED TO THE COASTAL CITIES. WE ARE TWO SEPARATE
3 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. FOR EXAMPLE, THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
4 CITIES ARE DOMINANT IN ASSOCIATIONS LIKE THE L.A. COUNTY
5 CONTRACT CITY ASSOCIATION, WHICH MEETS MONTHLY TO DISCUSS AND
6 ADVOCATE FOR MUNICIPAL ISSUES. WE RARELY SEE ANY COASTAL
7 CITIES INVOLVED. WE DON'T SHARE MANY ISSUES WITH THEM. THE
8 SAME WITH WATER ISSUES. COASTAL CITIES DEPEND ON THE WEST
9 BASIN WATER DISTRICT AND MOST OF SAN GABRIEL CITIES ARE PART
10 OF CENTRAL BASIN WATER DISTRICT. THOSE TWO BASINS ARE AT ODDS
11 BECAUSE THE CENTRAL BASIN FEELS THAT THE GROUND WATER FEES
12 THAT THEIR CUSTOMERS ARE PAYING SUBSIDIZE THE COSTS OF KEEPING
13 THE OCEAN WATER OUT OF THE GROUND WATER AQUIFER IN THE WEST
14 BASIN DISTRICT. JUST LOOK AT THE GEOGRAPHIC LAYOUT OF THE
15 COUNTY. THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY RUNS ALONG 605 FREEWAY AND
16 BRANCHES OUT TO THE 10, THE 60, THE 5 AND SOME PARTS OF THE
17 105 FREEWAYS. SAME THING IF YOU LOOK AT THE COASTLINE. IT
18 RUNS, THOSE COMMUNITIES RUN FROM LONG BEACH UP NORTHERN ON THE
19 405 MPCH HIGHWAY AND IT BRANCHES OUT TO THE 710, THE 110, THE
20 105, THE 134, AND THE 10 FREEWAYS. THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY IS A
21 WORKING CLASS DISTRICT SHARING MANY SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS THAT
22 TRULY INTEGRATE THESE CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS, TRAITS
23 THAT DO NOT DEFINE THE COASTAL COMMUNITIES. THAT'S WHY I'M
24 HERE. TO ADVOCATE FOR A SAN GABRIEL VALLEY DISTRICT THAT HAS
25 BEEN DENIED FOR FAR TOO LONG.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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4 **TONY MENDOZA:** I'M ALMOST DONE, MR. MAYOR. I WANT TO CHAMPION
5 FOR THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY THE EAST SIDE JUST LIKE THEY HAVE
6 CHAMPIONS FOR THE WEST SIDE WHICH WILL ENJOY A SUBWAY TO THE
7 EAST. MAYBE ONE DAY WE CAN HAVE A PUBLIC HOSPITAL IN THE SAN
8 GABRIEL VALLEY. WE GET ONLY ONE OPPORTUNITY EVERY 10 YEARS TO
9 GET THIS RIGHT. DON'T RUIN THIS OPPORTUNITY TO DO THE RIGHT
10 THING. IN 1990, FEDERAL COURT FOUND THE COUNTY GOT IT WRONG
11 AND PRACTICED INTENTIONAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LATINO VOTERS
12 AND SUPERVISORIAL REDISTRICTING NOT ONLY IN 1990, BUT ALSO
13 '81, '71, '65 AND '51. DON'T MAKE 2011 THE SAME. L.A. COUNTY
14 CAN ONLY BE AS STRONG AS ITS WEAKEST LINK AND THAT WEAK LINK
15 IN REPRESENTATION IS THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. UNDER THE
16 PROPOSED REDISTRICTING PLAN A-2, THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY IS
17 BEING CUT INTO THREE DISTRICTS. THE OLD DIVIDE AND CONQUER
18 STRATEGY. WHEN I READ IN THE PAPER THAT ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS
19 APPOINTEE'S MAIN CONCERN WAS CREATING A DISTRICT THAT WOULD
20 ALLOW A SUPERVISOR OF THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY TO RUN AND WIN
21 AGAIN RATHER THAN PROVIDING REPRESENTATION FOR THE COUNTY'S
22 CONSTITUENTS, I WONDER WHETHER SOME MEMBERS OF THE BOARD'S
23 PRIORITIES ARE. YOUR MAIN CONCERN SHOULD BE REPRESENTATION,
24 NOT PROTECTING INCUMBENCY. A MEMBER OF THE SUPERVISOR'S STAFF
25 THEN ADDED THERE'S NOTHING THAT CURRENTLY PREVENTS A LATINO



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1 FROM RUNNING FOR AND BEING ELECTED AS SUPERVISOR OF ANY OF THE
2 FIVE COUNTY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. I SPENT 10 YEARS ON
3 ARTESIA CITY COUNCIL, FIVE YEARS ON STATE ASSEMBLY. I KNOW
4 WHAT THE POLITICAL REALITIES ARE. EVEN A WELL-KNOWN LATINO
5 CANDIDATE CAN'T WIN AGAINST SUPERVISOR KNABE WHEN THE MAIN
6 GOAL IS TO REELECT SUPERVISOR KNABE BY APPROVING A DISTRICT
7 THAT IS DOMINATED BY COASTAL COMMUNITIES THAT DON'T SHARE
8 ANYTHING IN COMMON WITH THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES. NO
9 LATINO CAN WIN AGAINST AN ENTRENCHED INCUMBENT AND THE SAD
10 PART IS I TRULY BELIEVE IN HIS HEART THAT THE SUPERVISOR KNOWS
11 THIS. BUT IF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHOOSE TO DISENFRANCHISE
12 THE WHOLE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND THE LATINOS WHO LIVE THERE SO
13 ONE OF ITS MEMBERS CAN ADD FOUR MORE YEARS TO THE 16 HE WILL
14 ALREADY SERVED, WHEN WILL REPRESENTATION BE THE HIGHEST
15 PRIORITY? WHEN IS POLITICS AS USUAL ENOUGH? THAT'S WHY WE NEED
16 A REAL ELECTION, NOT THE STATUS QUO. YOU HAVE SET UP SAFE
17 INCUMBENT DISTRICTS BEFORE. PLEASE DON'T DO IT AGAIN. WE NEED
18 REAL REDISTRICTING PLAN S-1. AND I'M EXCITED MR. MAYOR, THAT I
19 SEE A LOT OF MY COLLEAGUES, THE CITIES THAT I WORK WITH THAT
20 SHOWED UP TODAY. THEY KNOW THAT IN THE PAST I STAND UP FOR
21 WHAT I BELIEVE IN WHETHER I WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL OR THE
22 STATE ASSEMBLY TO MY OWN DETRIMENT AT TIME WITH MY COLLEAGUES,
23 BUT I'M HERE BECAUSE I TRULY FEEL PASSIONATE ABOUT THIS. WE
24 NEED TO ADOPT PLAN S-1. AND FOR OUR IMMEDIATE AREA, FOR MY
25 DISTRICT THE BIGGEST CHANGE IS WE WILL STILL BE IN DISTRICT 4.



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1 ALL MY CITIZENS ARE GOING TO BE IN DISTRICT 4. THE BIG CHANGE
2 IS WILL WE STAY COASTAL? OR WILL WE CREATE THE SAN GABRIEL
3 VALLEY DISTRICT WHICH DESERVES A VOICE. AND I'M HERE TO
4 SUPPORT PLAN S-1. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP JIM EDWARDS OF
7 CERRITOS. YES.

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9 **GAVRY KOVACIC:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
10 MY NAME IS GARY KOVACIC. I'M THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA.
11 WE SUBMITTED A LETTER DATED JULY 6, 2011 IN SUPPORT OF ARCADIA
12 REMAINING IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WHERE IT HAS
13 BEEN FOR DECADES. THE COUNTY HAS A STRONG PRESENCE IN OUR
14 CITY. WE HAVE A COUNTY PARK AND A GOLF COURSE AN ARBORETUM,
15 FLOOD CONTROL SEDIMENT AREA AND A WATER CONSERVATION AREA. WE
16 ALSO HAVE MANY SHARED COMMON INTERESTS WITH OUR NEIGHBORING
17 AND DIVERSE FOOTHILL COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE FIFTH DISTRICT.
18 THE FIFTH DISTRICT HAS SERVED OUR DIVERSE CITY AND OUR
19 NEIGHBORING FOOTHILL COMMUNITY, AS WELL. AND OUR CITY REQUESTS
20 THAT THE HISTORICAL AND POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP WE'VE HAD WITH
21 THE FIFTH DISTRICT BE KEPT INTACT NO MATTER HOW YOU REARRANGE
22 THE OTHER DISTRICTS. WE THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
25 UP MAYOR CAROL CHEN. YES, SIR.



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2 **ROBERT KENNEDY:** ROBERT KENNEDY. MAYOR OF AVALON, THANK YOU,
3 MAYOR, BOARD MEMBERS. 70 PERCENT OF OUR COMMUNITY ARE LATINOS.
4 AND THEY ELECTED ME THREE TERMS TO REPRESENT THEIR INTERESTS.
5 I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF PLAN A-2. THE PEOPLE I SERVE WANT TO
6 REMAIN WITHIN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. SUPERVISOR KNABE AND STAFF
7 KNOW OUR COMMUNITY. AND THEY DISPLAYED A COMMITMENT TO THAT
8 COMMUNITY FOR YEARS. I HAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH
9 THEM FOR OVER EIGHT YEARS. AND TOGETHER WE HAVE WORKED WITH
10 COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS TO RENEW INFRASTRUCTURE FAILURES, TO
11 IMPROVE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, IMPROVE HISTORICAL AND NATURAL
12 CONSERVATION, IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY, AND CREATE SOME NEW PARKS
13 AND GREEN SPACES FOR OUR RESIDENTS. PLEASE MAINTAIN OUR
14 COMMUNITY WITHIN THE FOURTH DISTRICT AND MAINTAIN THOSE
15 BOUNDARIES. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
18 UP COUNCIL MEMBER FRANK SERONIAN. YES, SIR. OKAY. YOU'RE ON.

19

20 **LARRY FORESTER:** MY NAME IS LARRY FORESTER. MAYOR OF THE CITY
21 OF SIGNAL HILL AND I'VE BEEN AN ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
22 CITIZENS OF SIGNAL HILL FOR THE LAST 13 YEARS. PLEASE KEEP
23 SIGNAL HILL IN THE GREATER LONG BEACH AREA REPRESENTED BY THE
24 FOURTH DISTRICT AND SUPERVISOR DON KNABE, THE A-2. THE CURRENT
25 SUPERVISOR HAS REPRESENTED THIS AREA AND NEARLY 2 MILLION



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1 PEOPLE IN THE CURRENT FOURTH DISTRICT WITH EQUAL EFFORT AND
2 CONCERN FOR THE DIFFERENT NEEDS OF VARIOUS GEOGRAPHIC AND
3 DEMOGRAPHICS. HE HAS BEEN EXTREMELY RESPONSIVE AND ATTENTIVE
4 TO THE DIVERSE COMMUNITIES OF THE DISTRICT, WHETHER THEY BE
5 LATINO, CAMBODIAN, VIETNAMESE, AFRICAN-AMERICAN, CAUCASIAN, OR
6 MY OWN COMMUNITY, A BLEND OF THESE COMMUNITIES, THE LGBT
7 COMMUNITY. AS AN OPENLY GAY ELECTED OFFICIAL, SUPERVISOR KNABE
8 HAS HELPED ME FIGHT THE PREJUDICES AGAINST LGBT COMMUNITY AND
9 CREATED A BETTER UNDERSTANDING FOR ALL. AS A PERSON LIVING
10 WITH HIV AND AIDS AND AN ACTIVIST IN THE FIGHT FOR A LIFE WITH
11 THIS DISEASE, THE SUPERVISOR'S HELPED ME MAINTAIN FUNDING FOR
12 THE FOURTH DISTRICT AND SPA 8 AND GIVEN SUPERVISOR KNABE'S
13 OUTSTANDING RECORD OF SERVICE TO HIS FOURTH DISTRICT, I AS A
14 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITIZENS OF SIGNAL HILL, WHOLEHEARTEDLY
15 SUPPORT THE NEW PROPOSED DISTRICT MAP A-2. THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

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19 **JIM EDWARDS:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS, MY
20 NAME IS JIM EDWARDS, I'M MAYOR PRO TEM FOR THE CITY OF
21 CERRITOS. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF OUR RESIDENTS OF CERRITOS TO
22 SUPPORT PLAN A-2 AND ALSO ON BEHALF OF MANY OF THE NONPROFITS
23 CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. MANY WILL SPEAK TODAY OF
24 WHAT DON HAS DONE FOR THEIR CITIES. I THINK YOU KNOW THAT DON
25 WAS A COUNCILMAN FOR EIGHT YEARS IN OUR CITY AND ALSO MAYOR



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1 TWICE. SO THE CITY RESIDENTS KNOW WHAT DON HAS DONE FOR
2 CERRITOS. BUT ALSO, SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS BEEN A CHAMPION AND
3 MAJOR SUPPORTER OF MANY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. HIS
4 INVOLVEMENT AND SUPPORT OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS HAS BEEN
5 PARAMOUNT TO THE SUCCESS OF HELPING THOUSANDS OF DISTRICT 4
6 RESIDENTS. IF BOUNDARIES CHANGE, MANY NONPROFITS WILL LOSE
7 THEIR VALUABLE RESOURCE. I DON'T KNOW IF MR. KNABE HAS EVER
8 BEEN REFERRED TO AS A VALUABLE RESOURCE BEFORE, BUT HE IS FOR
9 MANY OF US WHO SERVE ON NONPROFIT BOARDS. SO I'M HERE THIS
10 MORNING TO SAY THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT PLAN A-2 AND HOPE
11 THAT YOU WILL, TOO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. DR. STEVEN ZUCKERMAN AND
14 MAYOR MICHAEL MENDEZ. YES. CAROL.

15

16 **CAROL CHEN:** GOOD MORNING MR. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE
17 TO OBVIOUSLY ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS TO SPEAK IN
18 PLAN OF THE PLAN 2-A IN REGARDS TO THE BOUNDARIES AND COMMENTS
19 MADE REGARDING THE ETHNICITIES OF THE COMMUNITIES. AS
20 SUPERVISOR KNABE SAID THE 4TH DISTRICT IS PROBABLY THE MOST
21 DIVERSE IN ETHNICITY IN THIS NATION. I THINK CERRITOS IS MOST
22 DIVERSE CITY IN THE NATION. SO I SPEAK ON BEHALF OF OUR
23 RESIDENTS THAT OUR COMMUNITY IS WELL-REPRESENTED BY THE
24 SUPERVISOR. THE VARIOUS ETHNICITIES, OUR COUNCILS ARE ELECTED
25 BASED ON DIFFERENT ETHNICITIES. WE HAVE ASIANS, WE HAVE



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1 CAUCASIANS AS WELL AS FILIPINOS AND OUR CITY IS REPRESENTED IN
2 THE DISTRICT BY HISPANIC LEADERS SUCH AS TONY MENDOZA AND OUR
3 CONGRESSWOMAN LINDA SANCHEZ. SO OUR VOTERS ARE IN A DISTRICT
4 AND A CITY CHOOSE WHO THEY THINK IS THE BEST CANDIDATE TO VOTE
5 FOR AND NOT BY ETHNICITY. SO I URGE YOU, THE SUPERVISORS, TO
6 VOTE FOR PLAN 2-A. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST HAVE ONE BRIEF COMMENT. I'M GLAD MY
11 HOMETOWN STILL WANTS ME. [LAUGHTER.]

12

13 **CAROL CHEN:** YES, WE DO. VERY MUCH SO. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO CITY COUNCIL MEMBER LUIGI
16 VERNOLA.

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18 **FRANK ZERUNYAN:** HONORABLE MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND THE MEMBERS OF
19 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS FRANK ZERUNYAN AND I'M A
20 COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES. I RISE IN
21 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-2, OR ANY REASONABLE PLAN THAT MAINTAINS THE
22 DISTRICT CLOSE TO WHAT THEY ARE TODAY AND DO NOT DISPLACE
23 MILLIONS OF RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I COME TO
24 YOU ALSO WITH A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE, PERHAPS, AND A LITTLE
25 HISTORY. ON NOVEMBER 20, 1957, EIGHT CITIES GATHERED TO FORM



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1 THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION. LAKEWOOD,
2 BELLFLOWER, DUARTE, LA PUENTE, NORWALK, PARAMOUNT, ROLLING
3 HILLS AND SANTA FE SPRINGS. FOUR OUT OF THOSE EIGHT CITIES
4 WERE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. MY CITY IS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE
5 FOURTH DISTRICT FAMILY FOR NOW HALF A CENTURY AS A CONTRACT
6 CITY. ALSO, AS YOU ALL KNOW, I HAD THE HONOR OF SERVING AS THE
7 CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES 49TH PRESIDENT. TODAY, 20 CONTRACT
8 CITIES OUT OF TOTAL 40 THAT CONTRACT FOR MAJOR SERVICES WITH
9 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RESIDE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AFTER
10 THE COUNTY, WE CONTRACT CITIES ARE THE LARGEST USERS OF
11 CONTRACT SERVICES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. YOU EACH HAVE
12 REPRESENTED YOUR CONTRACT CITIES VERY WELL, AND I THANK YOU
13 FOR THAT ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANIZATION. YOUR CITIES KNOW YOU
14 AND YOU KNOW YOUR CITIES. IN THIS ERA OF LEAN GOVERNMENTS,
15 WHERE EFFICIENCY IS SO IMPORTANT TO ALL OF US AND OUR
16 CONSTITUENTS, YOUR INSTITUTIONALIZED KNOWLEDGE IN HISTORY IS
17 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR THE EFFICIENT USE OF TAXPAYER MONEY,
18 ESPECIALLY IN THE CASE OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT. WITH ANY OTHER
19 PROPOSED PLAN, YOU WOULD BE DESTROYING HALF A CENTURY WORTH OF
20 INSTITUTIONALIZED KNOWLEDGE AND INSTITUTIONALIZED EFFICIENCY
21 IN GOVERNMENT. I THANK YOU FOR THE TIME.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS LUIGI VERNOLA HERE?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HE HAD TO LEAVE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MAYOR THOMAS LONG? MAYOR THOMAS
3 LONG? AND MAYOR JOHN RAY? DR. ZUCKERMAN? OKAY, STEVE.

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5 **STEVEN ZUCKERMAN:** MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS, I COME BEFORE YOU AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROLLING
7 HILLS ESTATES TO SUPPORT PLAN A-2 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE
8 REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE AND AMENDED PER SUPERVISOR KNABE'S
9 SUGGESTIONS. THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL PRESERVE THE
10 EFFICIENCIES AND BENEFITS THAT HAVE RESULTED FROM THE LONG
11 HISTORY BETWEEN OUR COMMUNITY, WHICH WAS THE HOME OF PAST
12 SUPERVISOR DEANE DANA, AND THE FAMILIAR AND EFFECTIVE STAFF OF
13 DISTRICT 4. I HAVE WORKED WITH DISTRICT 4'S STAFF FOR 15
14 YEARS. AND THE COMMUNITY ASKS THAT YOU ADOPT THE COMMITTEE
15 RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUPPORT THE COST SAVINGS AND
16 ORGANIZATIONAL EFFICIENCIES THAT PLAN A-2 REPRESENTS AS
17 OPPOSED TO AN ALTERNATE PLAN THAT WOULD DENY OUR COMMUNITY
18 THESE BENEFITS IN ORDER TO CONTROL ELECTION OUTCOMES IN THE
19 MOST DIVERSE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. YES?

22

23 **MIKE MENDEZ:** MAYOR MIKE MENDEZ, CITY OF NORWALK. WE SUPPORT A-
24 2. AND ONE OF THE THINGS I WANT TO SAY TO THE SUPERVISORS, I
25 KNOW THIS IS TOUGH. I WANT TO THANK THE DISTRICT PEOPLE THAT



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1 DID ALL THE WORK ON THIS. BUT YOU KNOW AS I SIT HERE, I'M A
2 HISPANIC. I'VE BEEN ON THE CITY COUNCIL 23 YEARS. BEEN
3 FORTUNATE ENOUGH THAT I'VE BEEN ELECTED ALL THOSE YEARS. AND
4 I'VE ALWAYS FELT THAT EVEN AS I LOOK AT YOU HERE, THAT YOU GOT
5 ELECTED BY THE PERSON YOU ARE AND WHAT THE PEOPLE BELIEVE
6 YOU'RE GOING TO DO FOR THEM. AND ME AS A HISPANIC, I REPRESENT
7 THE WHOLE COMMUNITY OF NORWALK. I REPRESENT ALL THE PEOPLE
8 THERE. AND SO I THINK AS I LISTEN TO SOME OF THE EARLIER
9 DIALOGUE THAT, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE SHOULD GET ELECTED BY WHAT
10 THEY STAND FOR. AND THE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BELIEVE IN YOU. I
11 KNOW IT'S DIFFICULT AT TIMES BECAUSE OF COSTS OF ELECTIONS AND
12 ALL DIFFERENT KIND OF THINGS. BUT I'M A FIRM BELIEVER THAT I
13 HOPE I'M ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE WANTING TO ELECT ME BECAUSE
14 THEY THINK I'M GOING TO DO THE BEST JOB FOR MY CONSTITUENCY.
15 SO GOING BACK TO THE FOURTH DISTRICT, DON KNABE'S BEEN OUR
16 SUPERVISOR. WE LIKE WHERE WE'RE AT. WE WANT TO STAY IN THAT
17 FOURTH DISTRICT. AS YOU KNOW TODAY, WITH THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS ALONG WITH THE OTHER CITIES. WE WORK WITH ALL THE
19 CITIES AROUND US. AS YOU KNOW TODAY YOU CAN'T BE A ONE ENTITY
20 AND GET ANYTHING DONE. YOU HAVE TO SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER. EVEN
21 THOUGH THEY ARE OTHER CITIES, WE NEVER SUPPORTED ONE ANOTHER
22 BECAUSE WE WERE ALL AFTER THE SAME THINGS. AND WE'VE LEARNED
23 THAT YOU'RE NOT VERY GOOD AS ONE ALONE. AND SO I THINK KEEPING
24 THE FOURTH DISTRICT TOGETHER, US BEING ABLE TO WORK THE OTHER
25 CITIES THAT WHEN WORK WITH, HAS HELPED US IN ALL THE OTHER



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1 AREAS: TRANSPORTATION, WATER, ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT THINGS
2 GOING ON SO I HOPE THAT THE SUPERVISORS WILL TAKE A LOOK AT
3 THIS THING AND SUPPORT THE BOARD THAT PUT THIS TOGETHER. AND
4 WE DEFINITELY WANT TO STAY IN DISTRICT 4. AND THE OTHER THING,
5 TOO, IS I DON'T THINK, AS MR. KNABE'S NOT A HISPANIC AND
6 DOESN'T SPEAK SPANISH, I THINK WE HAVE STAFF MEMBERS AND
7 DIFFERENT PEOPLE THAT CAN SPEAK SPANISH. AND I JUST THINK THAT
8 WE HAVE OTHER LANGUAGES IN OUR CITY, NOT JUST HISPANICS AND
9 OTHER PEOPLE. AND WE HAVE TO FIND WAYS TO COMMUNICATE WITH
10 THEM. AND I THINK THERE ARE THOSE WAYS. SO I DON'T THINK THAT,
11 I MEAN DON'T GET ME WRONG. I THINK IT'S GREAT IF WE CAN HAVE A
12 HISPANIC ELECTED OFFICIAL THAT SPEAKS SPANISH. BUT I DON'T
13 THINK IT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN THE WORLD. I THINK IT'S
14 WHO THAT PERSON IS. AND IS HE OUT THERE AND DOES HE HAVE THE
15 COMPASSION FOR HIS CONSTITUENCY? AND IS HE OUT THERE FOR THE
16 RIGHT REASONS? THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR GIVING ME A MOMENT TO
17 SPEAK.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP COUNCIL
20 MEMBER JIM GOODHEART AND COUNCILMAN JOHN ADELMAN. YES, SIR.

21

22 **TOM LONG:** MR. MAYOR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS TOM LONG
23 AND I'M THE MAYOR OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES AND I'M SPEAKING ON
24 BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THE RESIDENTS OF RANCHO PALOS
25 VERDES. WE WOULD SUPPORT STAYING IN DISTRICT 4 AND A-2. I NOTE



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1 THAT MR. ZERUNYAN, COUNCILMAN FROM ROLLING HILLS ESTATES
2 POINTED OUT THE COMMONALITY OF INTEREST THAT WE HAVE IN BEING
3 CONTRACT CITIES AND THE MAJORITY OF CONTRACT CITIES BEING IN
4 DISTRICT 4. MY SUPPORT OF REMAINING IN SUPERVISOR KNABE'S
5 DISTRICT IS NOT A PARTISAN SUPPORT. MR. KNABE AND I ARE NOT
6 REGISTERED IN THE SAME PARTY. NOR IS IT A RACIAL SUPPORT, A
7 RACIAL ISSUE, EITHER. I THINK IN THE FUTURE, AND I THINK TIME
8 WILL PROVE THIS TO BE THE CASE, MAYBE NOT 20 YEARS FROM NOW,
9 MAYBE NOT 50, BUT 100 YEARS FROM NOW, ALL OF THE EFFORTS TO
10 DRAW DISTRICT LINES ON THE BASIS OF RACE WILL BECOME
11 IRRELEVANT. COMMUNITIES, THERE WILL BE NO MAJORITY/MINORITY OR
12 MAJORITIES ANYMORE. THE FASTEST GROWING DEMOGRAPHIC WILL BE
13 MIXED RACE COMMUNITIES SUCH AS CERRITOS WHERE SUPERVISOR KNABE
14 COMES FROM. AND EVEN MY COMMUNITY, WHICH IS NOW 40 PERCENT
15 MINORITY. AND EVEN MIXED RACE INDIVIDUALS, THE FASTEST GROWING
16 DEMOGRAPHIC. SO I THINK DRAWING LINES ON THE BASIS OF RACE IS
17 SOMETHING THAT SIMPLY HISTORY WILL PASS IT BY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

20

21 **JOHN RAY:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME'S JOHN RAY. I'M
22 THE MAYOR OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES. I JOINED IN MY FELLOW
23 MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS IN THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA IN
24 EXPRESSING OUR DESIRE TO REMAIN IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOR
25 REASONS THAT I SET FORTH IN CORRESPONDENCE WHICH IS PART OF



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1 THE RECORD. Y WANTED TO COMMENT BRIEFLY ON THE S-1 PLAN. THE
2 S-1 PLAN WOULD MOVE OUR PENINSULA INTO THE THIRD DISTRICT,
3 WHICH IS HEAVILY GERRYMANDERED. IT WOULD RUN FROM THE ORANGE
4 COUNTY BORDER TO THE VENTURA COUNTY BORDER, NARROWING DOWN TO
5 ABOUT A MILE AND A HALF WIDE WHEN IT REACHES MARINA DEL REY
6 AND DIVES UNDER THE WATER TO CONNECT THE NORTHERN AND THE
7 SOUTHERN PORTION OF THIS PROPOSED DISTRICT UNDER THE S-1 PLAN.
8 THERE IS NO COMMUNITY OF INTEREST AMONG THE CITIES IN OUR
9 PENINSULA, AND WESTLAKE VILLAGE, OR WEST HILLS OR HOLLYWOOD.
10 SO WITH DUE RESPECT TO THE ATTORNEYS WHO HAVE SPOKEN TODAY, I
11 DO NOT SEE THAT THE S-1 PLAN WOULD COMPLY WITH THE STATE
12 ELECTION CODE AND IT WOULD NOT SURVIVE CONSTITUTIONAL
13 ANALYSIS. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
16 COUNCIL MEMBER GENE DANIELS AND COUNCIL MEMBER WAYNE POWELL.
17 YES, SIR.

18

19 **JIM GOODHEART:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
20 IS JIM GOODHEART. I AM A FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PALOS
21 VERDES ESTATES AND NOW SERVING IN MY SEVENTH YEAR AS A CITY
22 COUNCILMAN. IN ADDITION, TODAY I'M REPRESENTING THE PALOS
23 VERDES TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF WHICH I AM CHAIR THIS YEAR AND
24 ALSO THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT. WE WANT TO
25 RELAY OUR SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED PLAN AND ANY OF THE



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1 AMENDMENTS THAT MR. KNABE HAS FORWARDED. BRIEFLY, THIS PLAN
2 WOULD RESULT IN THE LEAST DISRUPTION TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN
3 THE SOUTH BAY AREA. THIS PLAN WOULD KEEP LONGSTANDING
4 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST TOGETHER. THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL
5 OF GOVERNMENTS AS AN EXAMPLE HAS WORKED EFFECTIVELY OVER THE
6 YEARS AND HAS MOST NOTICEABLY BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR
7 COORDINATING THE EFFORTS OF 13 AGENCIES IN THE SOUTH BAY TO
8 IDENTIFY 41 EARLY ACTION PROJECTS IN THE SOUTH BAY MEASURE R
9 HIGHWAY PROGRAM. WE RECENTLY OR THIS PROGRAM WAS RECENTLY
10 VALUED AT 176 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE SOUTH BAY AND A TOTAL OF
11 906 MILLION DOLLARS OVER THE 30 YEARS. OUR COMMUNITIES IN THE
12 SOUTH BAY BELIEVE THAT THEY HAVE BEEN AND ARE WELL-REPRESENTED
13 BY THE CURRENT SUPERVISOR IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, MR. KNABE. I
14 CAN SAY HE IS SINGULARLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE
15 PALOS VERDES TRANSIT AUTHORITY, WHICH PROVIDES TRANSPORTATION
16 TO THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA. THIS DISTRICT MEETS THE
17 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GEOGRAPHICALLY AND ETHNICALLY DIVERSE
18 COMMUNITY AS PROVIDED IN PLAN A-2 AND ACHIEVES THE REQUIRED
19 POPULATION TO BE REPRESENTED. EXTENSIVE AND RADICAL
20 MODIFICATIONS AS OUTLINED IN PLAN S-1 WILL COME WITH A COST
21 THAT WE CAN ILL AFFORD. DISPLACING OVER THREE MILLION PEOPLE
22 AND CHANGING THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OVER THE FOURTH
23 DISTRICT IS NOT APPROPRIATE AND FURTHER CREATES THE KIND OF
24 GERRYMANDERING THAT OUR STATE IS TRYING TO CORRECT WITH THE
25 CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
3 COUNCIL MEMBER MONTGOMERY.

4

5 **JOHN ADDLEMAN:** MY NAME IS JOHN ADDLEMAN CITY COUNCILMAN FROM
6 ROLLING HILLS ESTATES ON THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA. I'VE BEEN
7 ON THE CITY COUNCIL SINCE 1997, THREE TIMES AS MAYOR. MY
8 COUNCIL MEMBERS AND I DO NOT WANT TO BE REMOVED FROM THE
9 FOURTH DISTRICT SUPERVISED BY DON KNABE. HE'S BEEN TRUE FRIEND
10 TO OUR CITY AND THE PENINSULA SINCE HIS ELECTION IN 1996. HE
11 KNOWS OUR THE ELECTEDS, OUR CHALLENGES, OUR CONCERNS. WE ALL
12 KNOW HIS EXCELLENT STAFF MEMBERS WHO ARE PROFESSIONAL AND VERY
13 RESPONSIVE. WE CONTACT THEM ON A REGULAR BASIS AND ARE
14 GRATEFUL FOR THEIR RAPID RESPONSE. PLAN A-2 WOULD ENSURE THESE
15 VALUABLE RESPONSES WOULD CONTINUE. I'M CONCERNED, HOWEVER,
16 WITH THE S-1 PLAN. APPARENTLY THE TOTAL POPULATION MOVED WOULD
17 EXCEED 3,400,000 RESIDENTS. I'D CAUTION THE SUPERVISORS THAT
18 IF THIS PLAN IS CHOSEN, IT COULD EASILY HAVE THE EFFECT OF
19 DISENFRANCHISEMENT OF THESE RESIDENTS. EVEN THE MOST URGENT
20 EFFORTS BY THE NEW SUPERVISORS AND THEIR STAFF WOULD BE
21 OVERWHELMED BY NEW CITIES, NEW RESIDENTS, NEW COUNCILMEMBERS
22 THEY DO NOT KNOW AND PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS THAT THEY'RE NOT
23 FAMILIAR WITH. THE INSTITUTIONAL MEMORY OF OUR CURRENT
24 SUPERVISORS AND THEIR STAFFS CANNOT BE OVERSTATED. THANK YOU,
25 MR. MAYOR AND FELLOW SUPERVISORS FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
3 COUNCIL MEMBER SUZANNE FUENTES. YES, SIR.

4

5 **JAY DANIEL:** I'M JAY DANIEL, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FROM
6 PARAMOUNT. I APPRECIATE THE CHANCE TO MAKE THE STATEMENT TODAY
7 ON BEHALF OF MY FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS. THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT
8 SUPPORTS PLAN A-2 WHEN IT COMES TO NEW BOUNDARIES FOR THE
9 FOURTH DISTRICT. PARAMOUNT HAS BEEN IN THIS DISTRICT FOR
10 DECADES. THE UNITY THAT HAS DEVELOPED BETWEEN OUR SISTER
11 CITIES IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT AS WELL AS THE BONDS FORMED OVER
12 THE YEARS BETWEEN OFFICIALS WOULD BEST BE PRESERVED WITH THE
13 A-2 MAP. IN ADDITION, PARAMOUNT HAS A MAJORITY OF HISPANIC
14 RESIDENTS FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS BEEN VERY
15 ATTENTIVE TO OUR POPULATION. HIS COMMITMENT TO EXPANDING PLAN
16 AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND JOB TRAINING RESOURCES HAVE
17 BEEN EXTREMELY POSITIVE CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE
18 FEEL AGAIN THAT THE PLAN A2 WOULD CONTINUE THE GREAT BENEFITS
19 FOR OUR RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT. I THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP COUNCIL
22 MEMBER CARL JACOBSON. YES, SIR.

23

24 **WAYNE POWELL:** WAYNE POWELL, MAYOR PRO TEM FOR THE CITY OF
25 MANHATTAN BEACH AND I ALSO SERVE AS AN L.A. COUNTY BEACH



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1 COMMISSIONER. I AM SUPPORTING PLAN A-2, AS ARE ALL OF OUR
2 CONSTITUENTS. SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB
3 REPRESENTING OUR COMMUNITY. EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU ALSO
4 REPRESENTS VERY WELL YOUR CONSTITUENTS. THEREFORE, IT IS
5 IMPERATIVE AND ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO MINIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF
6 DISRUPTION AND HAVE CONTINUITY AND INSTITUTIONAL KNOWLEDGE. I
7 ALSO SERVE ON THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS. AND
8 ALL OF THE SOUTH BAY CITIES GET TOGETHER AND SOLVE COMMON
9 PROBLEMS. WE WORK WELL AS A TEAM. AND TO BREAK UP THAT
10 TEAMWORK WOULD BE A SHAME. SO THEREFORE I LEND MY SUPPORT IN
11 FAVOR OF PLAN A-2 AND AGAINST PLAN S-1. THANK YOU.

12

13 **RICHARD MONTGOMERY:** GOOD MORNING MAYOR ANTONOVICH. RICHARD
14 MONTGOMERY, COUNCIL MEMBER OF CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH ALSO
15 HERE AS PRESIDENT OF INDEPENDENT CITY ASSOCIATION. SEVERAL
16 MILLION RESIDENTS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY, 54 CITIES. IN SUPPORT OF
17 FOURTH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR KNABE, WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT
18 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND HIS STAFF KNOWS OUR RESIDENTS, KNOW OUR
19 RESIDENTS, OUR CITIES, OUR STAFF, OUR BUSINESS OWNERS, MORE
20 IMPORTANTLY KNOWS OUR NEEDS AND KNOWS OUR PROBLEMS. THE
21 COMMENT EARLIER ABOUT THE STUDY WE HEARD FROM DR. LEVITTS,
22 THERE'S BEEN NO CRY OF LACK OF REPRESENTATION FROM ANYONE I
23 KNOW, ANY ETHNIC GROUP IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. ANYONE BEING
24 DENIED TO VOTE FOR ANY CANDIDATE OF CHOICE IN THAT DISTRICT.
25 CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, MY GOD FRIEND JOHN NOGUEZ RECENTLY



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1 WON THE L.A. COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR. HE'S A LATINO. SO THE OBJECT
2 HERE IT'S THE FOURTH DISTRICT. IT'S IN GREAT SHAPE. THE
3 PROBLEM OF A-2 IS A GREAT PROGRAM. WE SUPPORT IT ENTIRELY AND
4 I HOPE YOU SUPPORT IT AS WELL. THANK YOU ALL.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
7 UP COUNCIL MEMBER TOM BREWER.

8

9 **SUZANNE FUENTES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I AM SUZANNE
10 FUENTES AND AN EL SEGUNDO COUNCIL MEMBER. I'M ALSO A PROUD
11 SEVENTH GENERATION LATINA ANGELINO. I GREW UP LISTENING TO MY
12 GRAMPA FUENTES LIVING IN LOS ANGELES UNDER FOUR FLAGS. HE WAS
13 BAPTIZED IN THE LOS ANGELES PLAZA CHURCH MORE THAN 100 YEARS
14 AGO. MY OWN FATHER GREW UP IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. I HAVE STRONG
15 TIES TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THAT IS WHY I'M HERE TODAY
16 TO RESPECTFULLY ASK YOU TO ADOPT PLAN 2 AND KEEP THE FOURTH
17 DISTRICT TOGETHER WITH AS LITTLE DISRUPTION AS POSSIBLE. THIS
18 PLAN KEEPS OUR REGION TOGETHER AND ASSURES US LOCAL
19 REPRESENTATION. AS ELECTED OFFICIALS, WE ALL KNOW FIRSTHAND
20 THAT ACCESSIBILITY AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST ARE VITALLY
21 IMPORTANT TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. PLAN 2 MAINTAINS BOTH OF THESE.
22 PLEASE KEEP OUR GEOGRAPHICALLY AND RACIALLY DIVERSE DISTRICT
23 AS IT IS. DO NOT MOVE MORE THAN 3.4 MILLION PEOPLE, INCLUDING
24 MY CITY, TO A NEW DISTRICT. THIS WOULD HAVE A PROFOUND
25 DISRUPTIVE IMPACT TO OUR COMMUNITY. SUPERVISOR KNABE AND HIS



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1 STAFF ARE COMMITTED TO US. THEY HAVE COMMITTED THEIR TIME,
2 TREASURE AND TALENT TO IMPROVING OUR COMMUNITIES. THERE ARE
3 MONTHS WHEN I SEE MORE OF HIS STAFF THEN I SEE MY OWN FAMILY.
4 THE EL SEGUNDO CITY COUNCIL LAST TUESDAY VOTED UNANIMOUSLY IN
5 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-2. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
8 UP COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN NICOLORO. YES, SIR.

9

10 **EARL JACOBSON:** EARLJACOBSON. COUNCILMAN CITY OF EL SEGUNDO. I
11 WAS FIRST ELECTED IN 1984. HAVE SERVED EIGHT YEARS AS MAYOR.
12 AND I'VE HAD MANY DECADES BEING IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, A
13 COUPLE SUPERVISORS. IT HAS BEEN A GREAT PLEASURE TO WORK WITH
14 THEM. GOING TO A TOTAL CHANGE IN A LOT OF THE AREAS I THINK
15 WILL BE MORE COSTLY TO THE COUNTY IN MANY WAYS WHEN YOU DON'T
16 KNOW WHO YOUR REPRESENTATIVE IS, HOW TO WORK WITH THEM. THE
17 CHANGE IS NOT GREAT JUST FOR CHANGE. WE APPRECIATE THAT
18 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S WORK AND I AGREE WITH HIS AMENDMENT TO THE
19 A-2. AND WE ARE IN FULL SUPPORT WITH A-2. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

22

23 **TOM BREWER:** I'M TOM BREWER. I'M A COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE CITY
24 OF TORRANCE AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-2. THE CITY OF TORRANCE
25 SUPPORTS IT. AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT THE CITY OF TORRANCE



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1 LOVES DON KNABE AND THAT'S THE POINT. ALL OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS
2 LOVE YOU. WE BUILT A RELATIONSHIP WITH SUPERVISOR'S KNABE'S
3 OFFICE OVER THE YEARS JUST AS YOUR CONSTITUENTS HAVE BUILT A
4 RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU. THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO BE CHANGING
5 THREE AND ONE-HALF MILLION PEOPLE WHEN THE STATE AND FEDERAL
6 GOVERNMENT ARE HAVING PROBLEMS FINANCIALLY. WE ALL UNDERSTAND
7 THE ISSUES THAT WE HAVE IN OUR DISTRICT AS WELL AS DON KNABE
8 DOES AND AS WELL AS YOUR CONSTUENTS DO AS WELL. YOU'VE HEARD
9 FROM THE B.R.C. THAT'S DONE A GREAT JOB IN COMING UP WITH THIS
10 PROPOSAL, AND YOU HEARD FROM THE LEGAL COUNCIL THAT IT'S LEGAL
11 AND THEREFORE THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND I SUPPORT THE
12 SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT A-2. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **JOHN NICOLORO:** MR. MAYOR, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JOHN
17 NICOLORO, I'M A MEMBER OF THE MONROVIA-ARCADIA-DUARTE TOWN
18 COUNCIL, WHICH IS AN UNINCORPORATED AREA BOUNDED ON THE WEST
19 BY THE SAN ANITA WASH ON THE EAST BY MOUNTAIN AVE., ON THE
20 NORTH BY DUARTE ROAD AND IT RUNS DOWN INTO THE IRWINDALE
21 QUARIES AND PECK LAKE. AND WE'VE BEEN SERVED BY DISTRICT 5 FOR
22 MANY YEARS. AND WE'RE PLEASED WITH WHAT WE RECEIVE THERE. WE
23 HAVE A MARVELOUS PARK THERE CALLED PAMELA PARK, WHICH HAS
24 GREAT CLASSES FOR ALL THE HIGH SCHOOL KIDS, EVERYBODY THERE.
25 AND IT'S MANNED ALSO BY L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICERS AND THE



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1 PROBATION OFFICER, WHICH I DON'T KNOW OF ANY PARK ANYWHERE
2 THAT HAS POLICEMEN THAT ARE ASSIGNED DUTY TO HANDLE CHILDREN
3 IN THE PARK. THIS IS MARVELOUS. WE ALSO HAVE AN OUTSTANDING
4 LIBRARY THAT IS MULTILINGUAL AND PACKED ALL THE TIME ON LIVE
5 OAK AVE IN THE ARCADIA AREA WHICH COULD BE EXPANDED. BUT
6 OVERALL, WE WANT TO STAY IN DISTRICT 5. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT
9 CONCLUDED ALL THE ELECTED OFFICIALS. BECAUSE THERE IS
10 CONFUSION ON S-1 IS NOT PLAN S-1. SO WE'RE GOING TO CALL...
11 HOW ARE YOU?

12

13 **JOSE BARIOS:** MR. MAYOR, I ALSO REQUESTED TO SPEAK. MY NAME IS
14 JOSE BARIOS I'M MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY WHICH IS HERE IN
15 SOUTHEAST L.A. COUNTY. I'M VERY EXCITED I CAN BE HERE TO SPEAK
16 ON SOMETHING SO IMPORTANT. I GUESS THE FIRST THING IS LET'S
17 LOOK AT A VERY IMPORTANT FACT, AND THAT'S A NUMBER, IT'S 48
18 PERCENT. 48 PERCENT OF ALL PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES ARE LATINO.
19 FOR THOSE OF US THAT ARE NOT GOOD AT MATH LIKE MYSELF, THAT'S
20 ALMOST 50 PERCENT. THAT'S ALMOST HALF. LATINOS ACROSS-THE-
21 BOARD HOWEVER ARE WIDELY UNDER REPRESENTED. WE CONTRIBUTE TO
22 THE WORKFORCE AT EVERY LEVEL. WE ACCOUNT FOR OVER 1 TRILLION
23 DOLLARS IN PURCHASING POWER NATIONWIDE. ACCORDING TO A USC
24 STUDY LATINOS IN CALIFORNIA WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR NEARLY 80
25 PERCENT OF THE STATE'S HOMEOWNER GROWTH IN THE 2000S. AND OF



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1 COURSE WE CONTRIBUTE TO THE CUISINE AND THE CULTURAL IDENTITY
2 OF LOS ANGELES. MANY CONSIDER LATINOS TO BE THE BACKBONE OF
3 OUR COMMUNITY. MANY LATINO WORKING CLASS FAMILIES COULD
4 PROBABLY AGREE TO THAT. THE FACT IS WE NEED FAIR
5 REPRESENTATION. MR. ALLEN HOFFENBLUM, WHO WAS APPOINTED TO THE
6 COMMISSION, WAS QUOTED AS SAYING "WHY WOULD YOU DISRUPT THE
7 DISTRICT OF SOMEONE WHO IS SEEKING HIS FINAL TERM?" THE BOARD
8 OF SUPERVISORS SELECTED THE B.R.C. NOT TO BE A GOOD OLD BOY
9 CLUB BUT TO PROVIDE FAIR LINES AND REPRESENTATION. WITH ALL
10 DUE RESPECT, WE ARE NOT HERE TO PROTECT INCUMBENTS AS MR.
11 HOFFENBLUM WAS ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING. WE'RE HERE TO PROTECT
12 THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. THE LATINO COMMUNITY IS NOT
13 BEING REPRESENTED. IT IS BEING DISENFRANCHISED. THE S-1 PLAN,
14 ALSO KNOWN AS THE LATINO AFRICAN-AMERICA COALITION MAP,
15 ACURATELY MEETS ALL NECESSARY CASELAW STANDARDS. IT HAS THE
16 SUPPORT OF QUITE AN ARRAY OF ORGANIZATIONS, BOTH WITHIN AND
17 OUTSIDE THE LATINO COMMUNITY AND MOST IMPORTANTLY IT ADDRESSES
18 L.A. COUNTY'S DIVERSE ETHNIC COMMUNITIES ALL IN THE SPIRIT OF
19 CIVIC COLLABORATION AND GOOD GOVERNANCE. IN 1991 WE SAW THE
20 UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT FORCE THE COUNTY INTO CREATING A
21 LATINO DISTRICT. WE KNOW THAT 20 YEARS LATER, WE ARE SMARTER
22 THAN TO HAVE TO GO THROUGH THAT AGAIN. I HUMBLY REQUEST YOU
23 ADOPT THE S-1 PLAN. THANK YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY. ONE MINUTE
2 EACH. NOW WE WILL CALL UP THE FOLLOWING: RANDY GORDON, SARAH
3 POLIM, DAVID HERBIS, SHERI KRAMER. SO KEEP IT TO ONE MINUTE.
4 WE HAVE LIKE 300 PEOPLE.

5

6 **RANDY GORDON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, THANK YOU FOR
7 ALLOWING ME TO ADDRESS YOU TODAY. MY NAME IS RANDY GORDON. I'M
8 PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE LONG BEACH AREA CHAMBER OF
9 COMMERCE. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT AND URGE YOU TO KEEP THE CITY OF
10 LONG BEACH AS PART OF THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT OF LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY IN THE FINAL OUTCOME. ANY POSSIBILITY OF LONG
12 BEACH BEING SPLIT UP INTO MULTIPLE COUNTY SUPERVISORIAL
13 DISTRICTS WOULD HAVE A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE COUNTY'S SECOND
14 LARGEST CITY. THE FOURTH DISTRICT HAS BEEN LONG BEACH'S HOME
15 FOR MANY YEARS, ESTABLISHING A FIRM RELATIONSHIP WITH
16 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE CITY, THIS HAS BEEN CRITICAL IN
17 TACKLING PROBLEMS. IN A DISTRICT THAT'S VERY REFLECTIVE OF THE
18 COUNTY AS A WHOLE AND THAT IS RACIALLY AND GEOGRAPHICALLY
19 DIVERSE, IS MADE UP OF A NUMBER OF COMMUNITIES AND INTERESTS
20 THAT SHARE THE IDEA AND THEY'RE WELL REPRESENTED NOW WITH
21 SUPERVISOR KNABE. AND WE WISH TO STAY THAT WAY IN THE FUTURE.
22 NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO DISRUPT HISTORICAL CONTINUITY BY
23 DIVIDING LONG BEACH INTO MULTIPLE DISTRICTS FORCING
24 SUPERVISORS UNFAMILIAR WITH LONG BEACH TO BALANCE ITS NEEDS



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1 WITH THAT OF OTHER CITIES. THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERATION AND
2 SUPPORTING PLAN A-2.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO HERB HATANAKA. YES,
5 MA'AM. OKAY.

6

7 **SARA PO-LIM:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS AND MAYOR. MY NAME IS
8 SARA PO-LIM, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED
9 CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY IN LONG BEACH. I ALSO LIVE AND WORK IN THE
10 SUPERVISOR KNABE DISTRICT. ON BEHALF OF UCC BOARD OF
11 DIRECTORS, STAFF, VOLUNTEERS AND THE LONG BEACH RESIDENTS THAT
12 ARE HERE WITH ME TODAY, WE COME TO SUPPORT THE A-2 PLAN.
13 SUPERVISOR KNABE IS ALMOST A DECADE TRYING TO UNDERSTAND THE
14 COMPLEXITY OF OUR COMMUNITY. HE ENCOURAGE US TO MOBILIZE OUR
15 VOICE AMONG OUR API COMMUNITY MEMBERS. FOR THAT, WE ARE DOING
16 EXTREMELY WELL IN INTEGRATING LINGUISTIC, ECONOMIC AND CIVIC.
17 TO BREAK THE RELATIONSHIP DESTRUCTION WILL HINDER OUR RIGHT OF
18 WANTING AN EQUAL REPRESENTATION AS WELL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO, IS DAVID
21 HERBIS HERE? HERB IS HERE. LYNN LEE? LYNN LEE, YOUTH LEADER,
22 PARENT ASSOCIATION? JUDY GORDON. YES, MA'AM.

23

24 **SHERI KRAMER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR AND
25 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SHERI KRAMER. I COME HERE AS A 28-YEAR



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1 RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH, A BOARD MEMBER ON SEVERAL SOUTH
2 BAY CHAMBERS, EL SEGUNDO, TORRANCE AND PALOS VERDES AND AS A
3 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVE OF A COMPANY WITH PROPERTIES
4 IN FOUR LOCAL CITIES. IN ADDITION, I SPEND A LOT OF TIME IN
5 THE CITY OF WHITTIER AS MY HUSBAND IS A PHYSICIAN AT
6 PRESBYTERIAN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. ALL OF WHICH ARE WITHIN THE
7 FOURTH DISTRICT UNDER SUPERVISOR KNABE'S JURISDICTION.
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN THESE CITIES FOR YEARS.
9 HIS DEDICATION TO THE PEOPLE, THE BUSINESSES, THE SCHOOLS AND
10 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS IS EVIDENT. WE HAVE COME TO TRUST HIM
11 IN HIS SUPERVISORY ROLE AND AS A FRIEND. WE OWE A WORLD OF
12 GRATITUDE FOR BOTH HIS PERSONAL AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENT TO
13 THE COMMUNITY. THE DISTRICT IS LIKE A QUILT THAT HAS BEEN SEWN
14 TOGETHER, AND THIS CONNECTION IS WHAT MAKES US THRIVE, TO
15 DISRUPT THIS STRUCTURE NOW WILL BE DEVASTATING TO MANY OF THE
16 RESIDENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO MAKE UP THE PATCHWORK OF THE
17 FOURTH DISTRICT. I URGE YOU TO KEEP THE FOURTH DISTRICT AS IT
18 IS AND SUPPORT A-2. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MARIKO KAHN. THANK YOU.

21

22 **HERB HATANAKA:** GOOD MORNING, I'M HERB HATANAKA, I'M HERE
23 REPRESENTING THE ASIAN PACIFIC POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL. I
24 WAS APPOINTED AS ONE OF THE B.R.C. MEMBERS, AND I WANT THE
25 THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR ALLOWING ME TO PROVIDE SOME COUNTY



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1 SERVICE. I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK UPON OUR COMMUNITIES; THE
2 ASIA PACIFIC ISLANDER POPULATIONS ARE SPREAD OUT, AS YOU ALL
3 KNOW, NOT IN ONE PARTICULAR DISTRICT. NOW EVEN THOUGH WE ARE
4 THE SECOND LARGEST ETHNIC MINORITY POPULATION, WE'RE SPREAD
5 OUT ACROSS FIVE DISTRICTS. FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS AS A
6 COMMUNITY, BECAUSE OUR ETHNIC POPULATIONS ARE VERY DIVERSE,
7 WE'VE ORGANIZED OURSELVES IN ALLIANCES. WE'VE BROUGHT TOGETHER
8 OUR COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST IN EACH OF YOUR DISTRICTS. AND
9 EACH OF YOU AS SUPERVISORS HAVE BEEN RECEPTIVE TO OUR REQUESTS
10 FOR SUPPORT FROM YOU. YOU'VE MET WITH US ON A NUMBER OF
11 OCCASIONS. YOU'VE ALLOWED YOUR STAFF TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO US.
12 AND AS A RESULT, WITHIN EACH OF THE SUP DISTRICTS, WE'VE BEEN
13 ABLE TO DEVELOP A COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES AND THE SUPPORT
14 FROM OUR COMMUNITIES. SO WE URGE YOU, UNDER A-2, OUR SUPPORT
15 FOR A-2 IS BASED ON OUR ABILITY TO BE THE INFLUENCE OF THE
16 POLITICAL PROCESS IN EACH SUP DISTRICT NOT JUST ONE. THANK YOU
17 VERY MUCH.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND ALSO CAMELIA TOWNSEND.
20 YES, MA'AM.

21

22 **JUDY GORDON:** HI, I'M JUDY GORDON AND I'M THE DIRECTOR OF
23 OUTREACH FOR RAINBOW SERVICES IN SAN PEDRO. WE SERVE VICTIMS
24 OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BY PROVIDING SHELTER AND SUPPORTIVE
25 SERVICES. WE'VE WORKED FOR MANY, MANY YEARS TO FORGE



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1 RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE COUNTY, WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE'S OFFICE
2 AND WITH OTHER NONPROFITS IN OUR DISTRICT. AND I URGE YOU TO
3 SUPPORT PLAN A-2 AND MAINTAIN THE DISTRICT AS IT IS. THANK YOU
4 VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS CAMELIA TOWNSEND HERE?
7 OKAY. YES, MA'AM. AND ALSO PATRICIA EUNICE. YES.

8

9 **LYNN LEE:** HI, MY NAME IS LYNN LEE. WE ARE FROM THE CAMBODIAN
10 COMMUNITY AND I'M DEFINITELY HER TO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT PLAN
11 A-2. I JUST BELIEVE THAT IF THERE'S LIKE LARGE MINORITY GROUP
12 LIKE US CAMBODIAN WE ARE ABLE TO SELECT OUR PREFER CANDIDATES.
13 AND WE CAN CREATE A VOICE THAT WOULD BE HEARD. AND SO, YES,
14 PLEASE KEEP PLAN 2. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. PATRICIA EUNICE AND CONNIE
17 JOE? YES, MA'AM.

18

19 **MARIKO KAHN:** MY NAME IS MARIKO KAHN. I LIVE IN DISTRICT 2. I'M
20 E.D. OF AN AGENCY THAT HAS OFFICES IN DISTRICTS 1, 2 AND 4.
21 AND I'M HERE AS THE PRESIDENT OF A.B.C.O.N. WE ARE IN FAVOR OF
22 A-2 PLAN. AS 15.5 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY, A.P.I.S HAVE DIVERSE
23 NEEDS, WHICH ARE BETTER SERVED BY A-2, GIVEN THE CLUSTERING OF
24 OUR COMMUNITIES. OUR CONCERN IS NOT JUST ABOUT PERCENTAGES PER
25 DISTRICT BUT ALSO WHERE AGENCIES ARE LOCATED AND WHERE PEOPLE



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1 ARE SERVED. A-2 IS LESS DISRUPTIVE. IT MAINTAINS OUR
2 CONTINUITY OF ACCESS TO ALL BOARD OFFICES. LAST, IT HAS BEEN
3 PRESENTED THAT THE B.R.A. MANDATES TWO LATINO DISTRICTS BUT
4 THE REPORT TODAY FROM COUNTY COUNCIL DOES NOT SUPPORT THAT. IF
5 WE FOLLOWED THE S-2 REASONING OR S-1 REASONING, SORRY, THERE
6 SHOULD NOT BE AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN SUPERVISOR. AND THERE SHOULD
7 BE AN A.P.I. SUPERVISOR. BUT WE'RE NOT JUST ABOUT RACE. A-2
8 TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE GROWTH OF OUR LATINO BROTHERS AND
9 SISTERS. IT PROTECTS THE DECREASING AFRICAN-AMERICAN
10 POPULATION. AND IT DOES NOT DILUTE THE IMPACT OF A.P.I.
11 COMMUNITIES OF INFLUENCE. IT MAINTAINS A.P.I. VOICES IN THE
12 DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. SO WE ARE VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF A-2.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP TONY
15 DAHLERBRUCH, ROLLING HILLS. AND CATHERINE GAUGHEN.

16

17 **CAMILLA TOWNSEND:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
18 CAMILLA TOWNSEND, I'M A FORMER HARBOR COMMISSIONER FOR THE
19 PORT OF LOS ANGELES AND CURRENTLY PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE
20 SAN PEDRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE WE ENTHUSIASTICALLY
21 SUPPORT PLAN 2-A IN WHICH SAN PEDRO AND ALL THE SURROUNDING
22 COMMUNITIES IN THE PENINSULA AND HARBOR AREA REMAIN IN THE
23 FOURTH DISTRICT. OUR DISTRICT IS GEOGRAPHICALLY AND RACIALLY
24 DIVERSE. OUR CITIES, COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS HAVE BEEN
25 TOGETHER FOR DECADES. AND OUR SUPERVISOR DON KNABE IS FULLY



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1 AWARE OF OUR COMMUNITY'S NEEDS AND HAS BEEN EXTRAORDINARILY
2 RESPONSIVE. WE DON'T NEED ANYMORE CHANGE RIGHT NOW. WE ARE
3 CURRENTLY GOING TO EXPERIENCE SERIOUS CHANGE WITH OTHER
4 REDISTRICTING CHANGES AT BOTH THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL LEVEL
5 AND WE'VE ALSO LOST THREE OF OUR MAJOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS
6 THROUGH EITHER DEATH OR REAPPOINTMENT TO THE UNITED STATES
7 CONGRESS. SO WE REALLY WANT TO SEE OUR COUNTY STAY THE SAME.
8 THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

11

12 **CONNIE CHUNG JOE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CONNIE CHUNG JOE.
13 I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE KOREAN AMERICAN SERVICE
14 CENTER AND THE VICE PRESIDENT OF PLANNING OF A.B.C.O.N.
15 K.A.F.S.C. IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION LOCATED IN THE HEART OF
16 KOREAN TOWN THAT HAS BEEN SERVING KOREAN IMMIGRANT FAMILIES
17 FOR YEARS. WE ARE LOCATED IN THE THIRD DISTRICT BUT ACROSS
18 THE STREET FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT. I'D LIKE TO THANK OUR
19 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT FOR HIS GREAT
20 SUPPORT FOR THE KOREAN AND A.P.I. COMMUNITIES AS WELL AS
21 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS NEXT DOOR FOR ALSO BEING
22 ACCESSIBLE TO OUR COMMUNITIES. ON BEHALF OF K.A.F.S.C., I
23 WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THE A-2 PLAN WHICH CLOSELY MAINTAINS THE
24 CURRENT DISTRICTS AND RESPECTS THE RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE
25 ESTABLISHED. WE OPPOSE THE S-1 PLAN BECAUSE IT WOULD DIVIDE



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1 AND DISPERSE OUR COMMUNITY. IN PARTICULAR IN THE WEST SAN
2 FERNANDO VALLEY WHERE CURRENTLY 25 PERCENT OF K.A.F.S.C. 'S
3 COUNSELING CLIENTS RESIDE. THEY WOULD BE BIFURCATED BY
4 REMOVING THE KOREANS OF RACIDA AND KENOGA AN PARK AND
5 DISPLACING THEM FROM DISTRICT 3 TO DISTRICT 1.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SUE PIE
8 LIEU AND DAVID LEVINE.

9

10 **TONY DAHLERBRUCH:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
11 OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TONY DAHLERBRUCH I'M THE CITY
12 MANAGER WITH THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS. I'M HERE REPRESENTING
13 MAYOR ALLEN LAY WHO WAS UNABLE TO BE HERE TODAY. I'M HERE TO
14 CONVEY THAT THE ROLLING HILLS CITY COUNCIL URGES THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS TO ADOPT MAP A-2. THROUGHOUT THE REDISTRICTING
16 PROCESS THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS HAS REPORTEDLY SUPPORTED
17 MAINTAINING DISTRICT 4 IN ITS BASIC CONFIGURATION. THE CITY
18 STRONGLY APPRECIATES THE VALUE, EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE OF
19 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE RELATIONSHIP THAT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED
20 WITH HIM AND HIS STAFF OVER THE YEARS. HOWEVER, THERE'S
21 SEVERAL OTHER ADDITIONAL REASONS TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING
22 CONFIGURATION OF DISTRICTS. FIRST, DISTRICT 4 INCLUDES A
23 SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF CONTRACT CITIES THAT RECEIVE COUNTY
24 SERVICES. WE ARE A CONTRACT CITY. WE ARE SERVED VERY
25 EFFECTIVELY AND CONSISTENTLY UNDER ONE SHARED SUPERVISOR AND



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1 BY A SUPERVISOR WHO UNDERSTANDS THE NEEDS OF CONTRACT CITIES.
2 SECOND, THE ALTERNATIVE MAP S-1 FORCES TWO DIFFERENT
3 COMMUNITIES, THE WEST SIDE AND THE SOUTH BAY, INTO ONE UNIT
4 WHERE THERE ISN'T NECESSARILY COMMONALITY. THIRD, THERE IS NO
5 REASON TO FORCE UNNECESSARY CHANGES TO A SYSTEM THAT WORKS
6 JUST FINE NOW, CAUSING SIGNIFICANT AND LONG-TERM IMPACTS TO
7 THE PUBLIC. THE CHANGES CAUSES ALL NEW RELATIONSHIPS TO BE
8 DEVELOPED. AND, FINALLY, WITH THE PUBLIC COMMENTS PROVIDED ON
9 THIS MATTER, IT IS CLEAR THAT MANY DISTRICT 4 CONSTITUENTS
10 HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE ALTERNATIVE DISTRICT. THE
11 CONFIGURATION-

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **TONY DAHLERBRUCH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE APPRECIATE IT.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP DARRYL GEORGE AND
18 HASIN CHEN AU OF THE CAMBODIAN TOWN.

19

20 **CATHERINE GAUGHEN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM CATHERINE GAUGHEN, I'M
21 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE CERITOS REGIONAL CHAMBER OF
22 COMMERCE REPRESENTING OVER 50,000 JOBS. I'M ALSO PRESIDENT OF
23 THE GATEWAY CHAMBER ALLIANCE WHICH REPRESENTS 23 CHAMBERS OF
24 COMMERCE IN THE GATEWAY LOS ANGELES AREA. I RESPECTFULLY
25 REQUEST THAT YOU APPROVE PLAN A-2. THIS IS THE LEAST



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1 DISRUPTIVE PLAN AND REPRESENTS THE WISHES OF THE VOTERS IN
2 YOUR DISTRICTS. L.A. COUNTY IS ALREADY SO DIVERSE IN ITS
3 SOCIOECONOMIC AND ETHNIC MAKEUP. IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT UNDER
4 LEADERSHIP SUPERVISOR DON KNABE, WE ARE DIVERSE IN OUR UNIQUE
5 NEIGHBORHOODS. ETHNICITIES AND CULTURES. BUT WE ALL WORK SO
6 CLOSELY AS ONE UNIFIED DISTRICT. THE FOURTH DISTRICT IS A
7 COMMUNITY. PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE THAT. CENSUS DATA SHOULD BE
8 USED TO REALIGN CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES WITH MINIMAL
9 DISRUPTION. CENSUS DATA SHOULD NOT BE USED TO REINVENT THE
10 WHEEL AS A POWER GRAB THAT CAN DESTROY COMMUNITIES. PLAN S-1
11 IS HIGHLY DIVISIVE AND TO ALL COMMUNITIES AND IT SERVES NO
12 PURPOSE OTHER THAN AN ATTEMPT AT POLITICAL POWER
13 REDISTRIBUTION.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **CATHERINE GAUGHEN:** DO NOT PLAY POLITICS WITH YOUR
18 CONSTITUENTS. PLEASE REPRESENT US.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JERRY
21 GAINS. JERRY GAINES? YES, MA'AM.

22

23 **SZU-PEI LU YANG:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. MY
24 NAME IS SZU-PEI LU YANG I SIT AS AN ELECTED FOR THE VICE
25 PRESIDENT OF THE ROLLING WATERS DISTRICT. I AM HERE TODAY AS



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1 THE PRESIDENT OF THE REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND AS A
2 RESIDENT OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS LOCATED IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT.
3 THE CHAMBER REPRESENTS TWO CITIES, WALNUT AND DIAMOND BAR AND
4 TWO UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ROWLAND HEIGHTS
5 AND HACIENDA HEIGHTS WHICH HAS POPULATION OF OVER 100,000
6 PEOPLE. THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY IS COMPRISED MOSTLY OF SMALL
7 BUSINESSES THAT RELY ON THE SUPPORT AND RELATIONSHIP THE
8 CHAMBER HAS FOSTERED OVER THE YEARS. LET'S BE FRANK HERE. THE
9 ISSUES NEED TO BE FOCUSED. THE ISSUE IS MONEY. HOW WILL WE
10 SURVIVE AS A COUNTY, STATE AND COUNTY, AND HOW GOING TO
11 SURVIVE IN THIS DOWN ECONOMY? SMALL BUSINESSES WILL BE HARD
12 HIT IN THIS DOWN ECONOMY. WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT A LITTLE
13 DOWNTURN, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CLOSURES. SMALL BUSINESS IS THE
14 BACKBONE OUR COUNTY, STATE. AND COUNTRY THAT PRO INDIVIDUALS
15 THE STEADY STREAM OF INCOMES TO LOCAL ECONOMIES IN THIS
16 COUNTRY. REDAWN DISTRICTS TO THE DETRIMENT OF SMALL BUSINESS
17 WILL HAVE A FAR REACHING DETRIMENTAL EFFECT TO L.A. COUNTY.
18 THE MODEL ENGRAVED ON THE WALL BEHIND YOU THIS IS FOUNDED ON
19 FREE ENTERPRISE, CHERISH AND HELP PRESERVE IT. PLEASE SUPPORT
20 FREE ENTERPRISE AND ALL OUR SMALL BUSINESSES. I URGE YOU TO
21 ADOPT A2.

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.



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1 **DARRELL GEORGE:** MY NAME IS DARRELL GEORGE, CITY MANAGER FOR
2 THE CITY OF DUARTE AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF OUR MAYOR, ZIDLE
3 PARIS KARACHI WHO DID SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE REVIEW COMMITTEE
4 SUPPORTING PLAN A-2. BRIEFLY, IT'S STATED THE CITY OF DUARTE
5 HAS BEEN IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT FOR LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY FOR AS LONG AS WE CAN REMEMBER. WE FEEL VERY STRONGLY
7 THAT BEING IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT IS APPROPRIATE FOR OUR
8 COMMUNITY AND HAS SERVED OUR RESIDENTS VERY WELL THROUGH THE
9 YEARS. WE SHARE COMMONALITY OF INTERESTS WITH NEIGHBORING
10 CITIES IN THE DISTRICT AND ARE COMFORTABLE THAT OUR ISSUES ARE
11 UNDERSTOOD AND WELL REPRESENTED BY THE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP.
12 AS YOU CONSIDER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES PLEASE TAKE INTO ACCOUNT
13 THAT DUARTE WOULD STRONGLY OPPOSE BEING RELOCATED TO ANOTHER
14 DISTRICT. WE FEEL THAT THE ISSUES SHARED WITH OUR NEIGHBORS AS
15 WELL AS OTHER SIMILAR CONCERNS MAKE IT IMPERATIVE THAT WE
16 REMAIN WHOLLY GROUPED WITH THE CURRENT MAKEUP OF THE FIFTH
17 DISTRICT. THANK YOU FOR TAKING OUR CONCERNS AND COMMENTS UNDER
18 YOUR CONSIDERATION. SINCERELY, ZIDLE PARIS KARACHI, MAYOR OF
19 DUARTE. THANK YOU.

20
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

22
23 **PASIN CHANOU:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PASIN CHANOU, I'M
24 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF CAMBODIA TOWN WHICH IS A NONPROFIT
25 ORGANIZATION IN LONG BEACH IN THE FOURTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY



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1 DISTRICT. CAMBODIA TOWN MISSION IS TO USE CAMBODIAN CULTURE
2 AND CUSTOM AND TRADITIONS TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
3 WELL-BEING OF RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS IN CENTRAL LONG
4 BEACH. SUPERVISOR DON KNABE HAS BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF OUR
5 MISSION. AND WE APPRECIATE HIS HELP TO OUR PROGRAM, SUCH AS
6 RECENT CAMBODIA TOWN FOURTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. WE
7 SUPPORT A-2 REDISTRICTING PLAN WHICH WOULD KEEP LONG BEACH
8 HOME TO 50,000 CAMBODIAN AMERICAN RESIDENTS IN THE FOURTH
9 DISTRICT. WE HAVE BUILT AN EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL THE
10 A.A.P.I. GROUPS, SO WE ARE AGAINST ANY OF THE REDISTRICTING
11 PLAN THAT WOULD SPLIT THE A.A.P.I. COMMUNITY, DILUTE OUR VOTE
12 AND WEAKEN OUR VOICE. SPECIFICALLY, WE OPPOSE THE S-1 PLAN.
13 THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
16 STEVE GOLDSTEIN AND MAI LIEU MARANO.

17

18 **KATHERINE GOULD:** MY NAME IS KATHERINE GOULD AND MY NAME
19 APPEARED UP THERE BUT MY BODY WASN'T HERE SO I THINK WE HAD A
20 MIXUP. I AM HERE AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF THE PALOS VERDES
21 PENINSULA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPRESENTING OVER 400 BUSINESSES
22 AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WHO LIVE AND DO BUSINESS IN ALL
23 FOUR CITIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE PALOS VERDES
24 PENINSULA INCLUDING SURROUNDING, TORRANCE, THE HARBOR AREA AND
25 THE BEACH CITIES. THESE COMMUNITIES ARE ETHNICALLY AND



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1 ECONOMICALLY DIVERSE. BUT THEY ALSO HAVE A GREAT DEAL IN
2 COMMON, INCLUDING A DECADES-LONG CONNECTION TO THE FOURTH
3 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT REPRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE.
4 SUPERVISOR KNABE IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS BROADER COMMUNITY
5 AND HAS ACTIVELY SUPPORTED OUR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS,
6 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS PROGRAMS, SCHOOL ENRICHMENT IN
7 ARTS PROGRAMS AND MUCH, MUCH MORE. HIS EFFORTS SUPPORT AND
8 CONNECT ALL THE COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE FOURTH DISTRICT,
9 HELPING US TO IN TURN SUPPORT EACH OTHER. PLAN S-1 WOULD CAUSE
10 ASSISTING NICHE CAN'T DISRUPTION TO LONG-STANDING
11 RELATIONSHIPS. THE P.V. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE URGES YOU TO
12 POLICE KEEP OUR COMMUNITY IN THE DISTRICT IN TACT BY ADOPTING
13 A-2. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

16

17 **JERRY GAINES:** MAYOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE
18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JERRY GAINES. I'M A RESIDENT
19 OF SAN PEDRO AND PART-TIME IN AVALON. ALSO A COMMISSIONER ON
20 YOUR WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD. THIS AFTERNOON I'D LIKE
21 EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR A-2 AND SUPERVISOR KNABE'S AMENDMENTS.
22 I ECHO ALL OF WHAT YOU'VE HEARD FROM MANY PUBLIC OFFICIALS IN
23 THE LAST HOUR OR SO, PARTICULARLY ON THE HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE
24 OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES THAT YOU HEARD FROM THIS AFTERNOON. I
25 ALLUDE TO AVALON WHICH HAS HAD MANY CRITICAL COUNTY SERVICE



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1 SUPPORT NEEDS RECENTLY EVEN A GRANT FOR A RECREATION NEEDS. IN
2 SAN PEDRO, WE'VE _____ DISTRICT WHICH IS COUNTY ISLAND. IN
3 SAN PEDRO, THE SUPERVISOR _____ THE DEANE DANA NATURE
4 CENTER AND WHITE POINT BEACH ARE ALSO A VERY IMPORTANT COUNTY
5 OUTCOMES WHICH I BELIEVE WOULD BE VERY MUCH DISRUPTED IF WE
6 REORGANIZED TO AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT.
7 SO I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. GABBY RAMIREZ? YES,
10 MA'AM.

11

12 **MALOU MARIANO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MALOU MARIANO,
13 FILIPINO AMERICAN ON THE BOARD OF CAMBODIA TOWN ORGANIZATION.
14 I LIVE IN DOWNTOWN LONG BEACH. AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN, I AM
15 HERE TO EXPRESS MY STRONG SUPPORT TO PRESERVE THE CURRENT
16 BOUNDARIES IN THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY UNDER DON KNABE. SOME CONTEND THAT THERE WOULD BE NO
18 ADVERSE EFFECTS IF OUR COMMUNITIES AND CITIES ARE DIVIDED,
19 HOWEVER, THESE ARE PRECARIOUS TIMES WITH CUTBACKS, LAYOFFS
20 WHEN STABILITY IS CRUCIAL. SUPERVISOR DON KNABE HAS A PROVEN
21 TRACK RECORD OF SOUND LEADERSHIP WITH A VISION FOR THE FUTURE.
22 I HOPE THAT OUR COMMUNITY WILL CONTINUE TO BENEFIT FROM HIS
23 EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE. THIS IS ONLY POSSIBLE WITH APPROVAL OF
24 PLAN A-2. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LOURDES FRAUSTO AND JORGE
2 GONZALEZ. YES, SIR.

3

4 **STEVE GOLDSTEIN:** GOOD MORNING. STEVE GOLDSTEIN, RECENT PAST
5 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE REDONDO BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
6 AND VISITORS BUREAU. WE WOULD ASK YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT A-2 AS
7 THE LEAST DISRUPTIVE PLAN ON THE TABLE. AS WAS MENTIONED
8 EARLIER IN THE 4TH DISTRICT IS A GEOGRAPHICALLY AND RACIALLY
9 DIVERSE DISTRICT WHOSE CITIES COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS
10 HAVE BEEN TOGETHER FOR DECADES; WE SHARED THE SAME ISSUES
11 WORKED TOGETHER THE ADDRESS THE UNIQUE NEEDS THAT WE HAVE IN
12 COMMON. SPLITTING OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND CITIES OUT OF THE
13 CURRENT DISTRICT WOULD HAVE A PROFOUND NEGATIVE IMPACT ON OUR
14 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

17

18 **GABBY RAMIREZ:** OH, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GABBY RAMIREZ.
19 I'M A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND AN _____
20 MEMBER. I CAME WITH 150 OTHER SUPPORTERS FROM DIFFERENT,
21 _____, URBAN ARTS CREW, URBAN TEACHER FELLOWSHIP AND
22 PRESCHOOL WITHOUT WALLS. BUT DUE TO A TIME LIMIT, THEY'RE NOT
23 GOING TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK. BUT ALL OF US ARE ENDORSING
24 RECOMMENDATION OF A-2. WE DEVELOPED A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH
25 DON KNABE, OUR SUPERVISOR, AND HIS STAFF. AND HE HAS BEEN VERY



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1 RESPONSIVE TO THE PEOPLE'S NEEDS IN MY COMMUNITY AND THE
2 NONPROFITS IN OUR AREA. ONE OF THEM BEING IS V.C.C. HIS
3 CONTRIBUTION TO OUR DISTRICT HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING AND HE
4 SUPPORTED THE _____ GROUPS AND PROVIDED RESOURCES TO OUR
5 COMMUNITY GARDEN IN WILMINGTON. WITH IF COMMUNITY GARDEN,
6 WE'LL BE ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.
7 HE HAS ACTIVELY SUPPORTED US BY ATTENDING OUR COMMUNITY
8 MEETINGS. I'M CONCERNED WITH THE S-1. WE DON'T WANT OUR
9 BOUNDARIES TO CHANGE. WE WANT DON KNABE AND WE WANT TO STAY
10 THE SAME. WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE HIM. AND WE DON'T WANT OUR
11 DISTRICT DISRUPTED IN ANY WAY. WE DON'T WANT A NEW SUPERVISOR
12 WITH NO EXPERIENCE AND DON'T WANT TO BE MOVED. THANK YOU FOR
13 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AND I WANT TO REQUEST THE COMMITTEE
14 TO RETAIN THE FOURTH DISTRICT AS IT IS RIGHT NOW.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] THANK
17 YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP CHAN EN HOPSON. YES, MA'AM.

18

19 **LOURDES FRAUSTO:** (IN SPANISH).

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** UN MEMENTO, WE NEED OUR TRANSLATOR.
22 CAN YOU SPEAK NEXT AND THEN WE'LL GET THE TRANSLATOR?

23

24 **GEORGE GONZALEZ:** HELLO, MY NAME IS GEORGE GONZALEZ. I'M A PROUD
25 U.S. COMBAT VETERAN AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT PLAN A-2. UPON



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1 HONORABLE DISCHARGE IN JUNE OF 2009, IT WAS EXTREMELY
2 DIFFICULT TO FIND EMPLOYMENT HERE IN MY HOME STATE OF
3 CALIFORNIA. WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND
4 HIS STAFF, I WAS ABLE TO ATTEND AND COMPLETE THE PROCESS
5 TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF SUPERVISOR DON KNABE
6 AND HIS STAFF, I WAS PREPARED FOR INTERVIEWS AND EMPLOYMENT AS
7 A PROCESS OPERATOR. BECAUSE OF THIS, I AM NOW A PROCESS
8 OPERATOR AT THE ARCHEMA CHEMICAL PLANT IN THE CITY OF
9 TORRANCE. I HONESTLY BELIEVE THAT PLAN S-1 WILL PUT AT RISK
10 THESE INNOVATIVE JOB PROGRAMS BECAUSE THERE IS NO POSITIVE
11 ASSURANCE THAT A NEW SUPERVISOR WOULD ALLOCATE RESOURCES TO
12 SUSTAIN AND GROW JOB PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE PROCESS TECHNICIAN
13 PROGRAM I WAS ABLE TO COMPLETE THANKS TO SUPERVISOR DON KNABE
14 AND DEFINITELY HIS STAFF.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE AN INTERPRETER.

17

18 **LOURDES FRAUSTO:** MY NAME IS LOURDES FRAUSTO. I'M HERE
19 REPRESENTING THE GROUP _____ FORMING THE CITY OF
20 WILMINGTON. FOR OUR CITIES THAT ARE 90 PERCENT LATINO WHERE WE
21 HAVE RECEIVED THE SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR KNABE. HE'S VERY
22 DEDICATED. HE WORRIES ABOUT OUR NECESSITIES FOR OUR PROGRESS
23 IN THE AREAS. WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL TO SUPERVISOR KNABE. WE
24 NEED PEOPLE LIKE HIM THAT ARE DEDICATED AND THEY PROMISED AND
25 THEY DO THE PROMISING AND THEY SUPPORT EVERYBODY ALWAYS. I



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1 WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE FOR THE
2 COMMUNITY AND I'M FOR THE SUPPORT OF A-2.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP CANDACE
5 NAFISSI, HYPEIN IM, KOREAN CHURCHES FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
6 PHILIP ROS, YOUTH LEADER, BERKELEY STUDENT. YES, MA'AM. YES,
7 MA'AM.

8

9 **CHAN EN HOPSON:** SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS CHAN EN HOPSON, I'M
10 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF KHMER PARENTS ASSOCIATION IN LONG
11 BEACH. I'M ALSO RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH FOR 30 YEARS. I'M HERE
12 TO SUPPORT PLAN A TO KEEP DISTRICT 4 AS IT IS AND BECAUSE
13 EQUALITY OPPORTUNITY IS AN ABSOLUTE SIGNIFICANT CONCEPT FOR
14 OUR SMALL CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY. WE NEED OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER
15 TO HAVE OUR VOICE HEARD. SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND HIS
16 WONDERFUL STAFF DID A WONDERFUL JOB IN HELPING TO IMPROVE THE
17 LIVES OF OUR PEOPLE FOR OVER 10 YEARS AND HE KNOWS WHAT OUR
18 COMMUNITY NEEDS VERY WELL. WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE HIM TO STILL
19 CONTINUE TO WORK AND TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY AND TO SUPPORT OUR
20 NEXT GENERATION TO BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZEN. I URGE OUR
21 SUPERVISOR TO VOTE FOR PLAN A-2. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

24



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1 **PHILIP ROS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MYMY NAME IS PHIL ROS, I
2 AM A STUDENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY. I HAVE
3 SPENT MY SUMMER LEARNING BY CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AS A VOLUNTEER AT
4 THE UNITED CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY CENTER IN LONG BEACH WHERE I
5 WAS BORN AND RAISED. I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT PLAN A-2 AND
6 KEEPING SUPERVISOR KNABE'S DISTRICT THE WAY IT IS. KNABE'S
7 SUPPORT FOR SENIOR AND YOUTH PROGRAMS HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING AND
8 HE HAS GIVEN A VOICE TO OUR OFTEN OVERLOOKED COMMUNITY. AS YOU
9 MAY KNOW, LONG BEACH HAS THE LARGEST AMOUNT OF CAMBODIANS IN
10 THE COUNTRY. ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY I URGE TO MAINTAIN
11 KNABE'S DISTRICT SO THAT WE MAY KEEP OUR VOICE, CELEBRATE OUR
12 DIVERSITY AND CONTINUE TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY EFFECTIVELY.
13 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP CHRIS
16 SANCHEZ AND SOPHEAK TUON. YES, MA'AM.

17

18 **CANDACE NAFISSI:** HELLO, I'M CANDACE NAFISSI. I'M A RESIDENT OF
19 TORRANCE AND ALSO ON BEHALF OF PEDIATRIC THERAPY NETWORK, A
20 NONPROFIT IN TORRANCE. I'M HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR A-2.
21 THE SUPERVISOR HAS BEEN INCREDIBLY SUPPORTIVE OF OUR
22 ORGANIZATION AND OTHER NONPROFITS IN OUR DISTRICT AND WE'VE
23 BEEN WORKING WITH HIS STAFF AND THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED AN
24 AMAZING AMOUNT OF DEDICATION TO OUR ORGANIZATION. HISTORICALLY
25 THE SOUTH BAY CITIES OF MARINA DEL RAY AND LONG BEACH HAVE



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1 BEEN GROUPED TOGETHER BECAUSE OF THE VERY UNIQUE ISSUES THAT
2 SURROUND THEM. AND THE SOUTH BAY CITIES EVEN HAVE THEIR OWN
3 NEWSPAPER, CABLE STATIONS AND HAVE GATHERED THEIR OWN
4 GOVERNMENT GROUPS TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS THAT THEY HAVE
5 BECAUSE THE CONCERNS THEY HAVE ARE VERY DIFFERENT THAN THE
6 OUTSIDE CITIES. SO WE JUST WANT TO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT A-2
7 BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IT WILL DISPLACE AND IT WILL
8 HAVE A PROFOUND NEGATIVE IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

9

10 **HYEPIN IM:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS HYEPIN IM. PRESIDENT OF
11 KOREAN CHURCHES FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT THAT WORKS WITH THE
12 4,000 CHURCHES ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND 1,500 IN SOUTHERN
13 CALIFORNIA. I THINK TODAY IS CELEBRATE SUPERVISOR DON KNABE
14 DAY. [APPLAUSE.] I THINK ALL THE POSITIVE COMMENTS DEMONSTRATE
15 THAT RACE IS NOT ALWAYS A FACTOR. HE HAS DONE A GREAT JOB. AT
16 THE SAME TIME, I UNDERSTAND THE PREMISE OF THE VOTING RIGHTS
17 ACT TO BE ABLE TO HAVE FAIR REPRESENTATION. AND I THINK THAT
18 AT THE SAME TIME, THEY SAY THE RIGHT TO SWING YOUR FIST ENDS
19 WHERE THE OTHER MAN'S NOSE BEGINS. AND FOR THE A.P.I.
20 COMMUNITY, IT SEEMS THAT THE CURRENT A-2 PLAN ALLOWS FOR A
21 GREATER OPPORTUNITY FOR THE API VOICE AND COMMUNITY TO BE AT
22 THE TABLE. SO I SUPPORT THAT I SEE SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
23 THOMAS. OREGON STATION IS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. I REALLY
24 WHATTENT TO SAY SOME REALLY GREAT THINGS ABOUT SUPERVISOR MARK
25 RIDLEY-THOMAS WITH THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS. HE HAS REALLY



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1 ALLOWED FOR ACCESS IN TWO-WAY CONVERSATION. I HOPE THAT MODEL
2 CARRIES THROUGH THE OTHER SUPERVISOR DISTRICTS. THANK YOU
3 AGAIN.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME CALL UP RONALD THEE. AND ANN
6 RUTH.

7

8 **CHRIS SANCHEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CHRIS SANCHEZ. I'M A
9 RESIDENT OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS FOR THE LAST 40 YEARS. I'M ALSO A
10 VOLUNTEER FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE'S FOURTH DISTRICT. AND I
11 DISSEMINATE L.A. COUNTY INFORMATION AT VARIOUS PUBLIC VENUES,
12 THE LARGEST BEING THE CONCERT IN THE PARK AT SCHABARUM PARK
13 ATTRACTING OVER 2,500 PEOPLE EACH WEEK. IN THE SEVEN YEARS
14 I'VE BEEN DISSEMINATING THIS INFORMATION, SUPERVISOR KNABE'S
15 DISTRICT IS PROBABLY THE BEST INFORMED DUE TO HIS EFFORTS. I
16 TOOK A LITTLE BIT OF UMBRAGE AT THE COMMENTS OF PROFESSOR
17 LEVITT. HIS COMMENTS WERE TANTAMOUNT TO GERRYMANDERING
18 ELECTIONS; IF A CANDIDATE IS EFFECTIVE WITH HIS COMMUNICATION
19 WITH THE ELECTORATE, THEN HE IS THE CANDIDATE OF CHOICE
20 REGARDLESS OF ETHNIC OR CULTURAL BACKGROUND. BUT LET'S GET
21 DOWN TO FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. INCORPORATING 150 RESIDENTS
22 INTO SUPERVISOR KNABE'S DISTRICT WILL BE LESS DISRUPTIVE THAN
23 REASSIGNING THREE MILLION PEOPLE TO NEW DISTRICTS.
24 LOGISTICALLY THIS MEANS NEW OFFICES, NEW STAFFS, UNFAMILIAR
25 WITH THEIR CONSTITUENTS. THAT IS PHYSICALLY IRRESPONSIBLE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **CHRIS SANCHEZ:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARCELO. EXCUSE ME
7 ONE SECOND, MARCELLO BERMO. YES, SIR.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS _____, I'M FROM
10 CAMBODIAN ASSOCIATES IN AMERICA IN LONG BEACH. AND I REPRESENT
11 CAMBODIAN ASSOCIATES IN AMERICA. WE ARE HERE TODAY BECAUSE WE
12 DISAGREE WITH THE REDISTRICTING PLAN. BECAUSE WE WANT TO KEEP
13 OUR VOICE STRONG TO ADVOCATE OUR NEEDS FOR OUR COMMUNITY.
14 REDISTRICTING WHAT HAPPENS, WE ARE DIVIDED. WE LOSE OUR
15 VOICES. AND OUR VOICES ARE NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO DO WHATEVER WE
16 WANT FOR OUR COMMUNITY. ANYWAY, WE FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THE
17 EXISTING SOCIAL SETTING. IN REDISTRICTING, THERE ARE MANY NEW
18 THINGS TO LEARN LIKE NEW STRUCTURE, NEW MECHANISM, NEW
19 SERVICES AND NEW RULES. OUR PEOPLE HAVE A LANGUAGE BARRIER, SO
20 IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO LEARN ALL THESE NEW THINGS. SO,
21 FINALLY, I WOULD SAY REDISTRICTING IS HARD FOR US. AND IT WILL
22 AFFECT EVERY ONE OF US AS CAMBODIANS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** SO WE STRONGLY OPPOSE IT.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
4 DELILA RAMOS. YES, MA'AM.

5

6 **ANN RUTH:** HELLO MY NAME IS ANN RUTH AND I SUPPORT THE A-2 PLAN
7 FOR DON KNABE. HE'S BEEN A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR RANCHO LOS
8 AMIGOS HOSPITAL. HE KNOWS THE PEOPLE. HE KNOWS THE STAFF. HE
9 KNOWS THE DOCTORS. HE'S INVOLVED WITH THE FUNDRAISING, _____
10 PROGRAM AT PEDIATRICS KIDS. AND IT'S A VERY DIVERSE COMMUNITY.
11 AND HE DOES A WONDERFUL JOB. HE'S THERE YEAR-ROUND FOR
12 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS. HE JUST DOESN'T SHOW UP FOR THE RE-
13 ELECTION, HE IS A CONTINUED SUPPORTER OF THE HOSPITAL. HE'S
14 HAD A TREMENDOUS IMPACT ON IT FOR MANY YEARS. SO WE'D LIKE TO
15 CONTINUE TO KEEP HIM AS PART OF THE A-2 PROGRAM IN DISTRICT 4.
16 THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD EVENING OR GOOD AFTERNOON. I COME HERE AS A
21 FIFTH DISTRICT RESIDENT OF ARCADIA AND WISH TO REMAIN SO IN
22 THE FIFTH DISTRICT WITH MIKE ANTONOVICH. I RESPECT MY ASIAN,
23 MY BLACK FRIENDS AND MY LATINO FRIENDS WHO I FREQUENT WITH AND
24 HOPE THAT WE WOULD HAVE A COLORBLIND SOCIETY BY THIS POINT.
25 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT APPEARS TO BE SOMEWHAT OUTDATED. AND I



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1 THINK THAT WE'VE KIND OF GIVEN IT A LITTLE MORE LEEWAY INTO
2 HOW WE DECIDE OUR DISTRICTS. I THINK THAT THE DISTRICTS BY THE
3 VOTING RIGHTS ACTS ACTUALLY PERPETUATES RATHER THAN MITIGATES
4 OR LITIGATES OR MINIMIZES RACIAL BOUNDARIES. AND I DON'T THINK
5 THAT'S REALLY PROPER AT THIS POINT IN OUR PERIOD. I THINK WE
6 CAN DO BETTER. WE'RE ALL ONE PEOPLE, ONE VOTE AS THE FAMOUS
7 SAYING GOES: E PLURIBUS UNUM. IT'S PUT ON MANY OF OUR COINS,
8 LET THIS PRINCIPLE AND NOT THE CREATION OF RACIAL BLOCKS
9 INFORM AND GUIDE OUR REDISTRICTING PROCESS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

12

13 **MARCELLO BERMEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS MARCELLO BERMEL
14 AND I'M HERE WITH THE SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COMMUNITY
15 DEVELOPMENT, I'M ONE OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION COUNCIL
16 MEMBERS. I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE APPROVE PLAN A-2. WE
17 HAVE A VERY GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH MR. KNABE. AND WE'VE ALWAYS
18 SEEN HIS SUPPORT AT OUR COMMUNITY CONFERENCES. HE'S ACTIVELY
19 SUPPORTED OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRESCHOOL EXPERIENCES FOR CHILDREN
20 IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. AND IN THIS TIME OF ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY
21 WITH A LOT OF NONPROFITS WE'VE FELT THAT MR. KNABE'S BEEN VERY
22 SUPPORTIVE OF OUR ORGANIZATION AND ITS EFFORTS. PLEASE LIKE I
23 SAID AN APPROVE A-2 AND DON'T LEAVE THE FUTURE OF OUR AGENCY.
24 THAT'S IT.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE UNDERSTAND. THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME
2 CALL UP ELI FORTNER. JENNIFER CAMARILLO AND JEFFREY SAUNDERS.
3 YES, MA'AM.

4

5 **DALILA RAMOS:** HI, MY NAME IS DALILA RAMOS AND I'M FROM PALOS
6 _____ FROM THE CITY OF LONG BEACH REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
7 SOUTH BAY. AND I WANT YOU GUYS TO APPROVE PLAN A-2. SUPERVISOR
8 KNABE AND HIS STAFF HAVE BEEN SUPPORT TO US IN OUR COMMUNITY
9 EVENTS AND A NEW SUPERVISOR WITH NEW STAFF WE DON'T KNOW IF IT
10 WOULD BE THE SAME SUPPORT OF THE ONE THAT WE HAVE NOW. SO
11 THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL SO CALL UP
14 KATHERINE GOULD. KATHERINE GOULD ALREADY SPOKE? PAUL VELEZ.
15 PAUL VELEZ. YES, SIR. YES.

16

17 **JERRY SAUNDERS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS
18 JERRY SAUNDERS. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE SOUTH BAY. I WAS BORN
19 AND RAISED IN WEST L.A. AND ATTENDED EMERSON JUNIOR HIGH AND
20 UNIVERSITY HIGH. BOTH HAD RACIALLY DIVERSE POPULATIONS,
21 INCLUDING SIGNIFICANT LATINO POPULATION. AS A LIFE LONG
22 RESIDENT OF L.A. COUNTY, I URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR PLAN A-2 AS
23 RECOMMENDED AND THE AMENDMENTS, I SUPPORT THE AMENDMENTS BY
24 SUPERVISOR KNABE. AS THE MOST RACIALLY DIVERSE COUNTY IN LOS
25 ANGELES, OR DIVERSE COUNTY IN THE THE NATION, I SHOULD SAY, I



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1 SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S COUNCIL'S INTERPRETATION OF THE PLAN A-2,
2 THAT PLAN A-2 COMPLIES WITH THE FEDERAL VOTING ACT. DRAWING
3 LINES ON BASIS OF RACE IS COUNTER TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF ALL
4 VOTERS IN L.A. COUNTY.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 **JERRY SAUNDERS:** THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO, BEFORE YOU
11 SPEAK, MA'AM, CALL UP MAE CHU. YES, MA'AM.

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13 **JENNIFER CAMARILLO:** HI. MY NAME IS JENNIFER CAMARILLO, FROM
14 WILMINGTON. THE URBAN TEACHER FELLOWSHIP AND MYSELF. U.T.F. IS
15 A PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS WANTING TO PURSUE A CAREER IN TEACHING.
16 IF IT WEREN'T FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE'S SUPPORT, I WOULDN'T BE AT
17 CAL STATE DOMINGOS HILLS PURSUING MY BACHELOR'S IN LIBERAL
18 ARTS. THAT IS WHY I FEEL IT IS IMPORTANT FOR WILMINGTON TO
19 STAY IN SUPERVISOR KNABE'S DISTRICT, TO HELP MYSELF AND FUTURE
20 STUDENTS WANTING TO PURSUE A CAREER IN TEACHING. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ROGER
23 VAN WERT.

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1 **ELI FORNIER:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR, ALL THE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
2 IS ELI FORNIER, I'M A MEXICAN-AMERICAN BORN AND RAISED IN THE
3 SOUTH BAY LIVING IN WILMINGTON ALL MY LIFE. I'M HERE
4 REPRESENTING THE URBAN ARTS CREW. IT'S A PROGRAM THAT WORKS
5 WITH YOUTH THAT TAKES THEM FROM TAGGERS TO ARTISTS. I'M AND
6 HERE REPRESENTING OVER 280 STUDENTS THAT WE'VE WORKED WITH
7 OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS AND THROUGH THE VISION AND SUPPORT
8 OF DON KNABE, WE'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP AND WORK WITH
9 A LOT OF THESE STUDENTS. I'M HERE REPRESENTING MOST OF THE
10 YOUTH THAT SOME OF THEM COULDN'T BE HERE AND ALSO MY CITY. AND
11 I BELIEVE THAT PLAN A-2 SHOULD BE APPROVED AND NEED TO BE
12 APPROVED. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP LOUIS
15 LOGAN. YES, MA'AM.

16

17 **PAUL VELEZ-SALAZAR:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. SUPERVISOR, MY NAME IS
18 PAUL VELEZ-SALAZAR. I LIVE IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA. AND ALSO
19 I'M A VETERAN OF IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN. I'M REPRESENTING SOUTH
20 BAY CENTER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AS WELL AS ENERGY PATHWAYS.
21 WHAT ENERGY PATHWAYS IS BASICALLY A REPRESENT A LOT OF
22 VETERANS, ALMOST 300-PLUS VETERANS THAT HAVE COME THROUGH OUR
23 DOORS. AND WE ACTUALLY HAVE HELPED THEM PUT THEM INTO TRAINING
24 AND JOB PLACEMENT. SO FAR 85 PERCENT JOB PLACEMENT HAS BEEN
25 PRETTY HIGH. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AGAIN, MR. DON



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1 KNABE FOR SUPPORTING US AND BEING THE VOICE OF OUR VETERAN
2 COMMUNITY IN THE LONG BEACH AREA AND TORRANCE AND DISTRICT 4.
3 WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT, THIS WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE. AND I JUST
4 WANT ALL THE SUPERVISORS TO UNDERSTAND THAT HE SUPPORTS
5 VETERANS. AND I JUST HOPE AS YOU GUYS SUPPORT US COMING BACK
6 FROM IRAQ AFGHANISTAN, PLEASE APPROVE A-2 AND I JUST WANT TO
7 KEEP HIM IN OUR DISTRICT AND HE'S A GREAT TOOL FOR US, THANK
8 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO CALL UP RAYMOND CHAVARRIA FROM
11 UNITED CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY.

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13 **MAE CHU:** MR. MAYOR, SUPERVISORS, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS
14 MAE CHU. I'M ONE OF THE CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS OF HACIENDA
15 HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION AND A STAFF FROM HSI LAI
16 TEMPLE AT HACIENDA HEIGHTS. AND THE RESIDENTS OF HACIENDA
17 HEIGHTS FOR 12 YEARS. AND THANK YOU FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE. HE
18 HAS A VERY LONG AND STEADY RELATIONSHIP WITH RESIDENTS OF
19 HACIENDA HEIGHTS BECAUSE HE UNDERSTANDS THE NEEDS OF THE
20 RESIDENTS OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT AND CRUCIAL
21 FOR US TO STAY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. SO PLEASE, I WILL URGE
22 YOU TO VOTE FOR PLAN A-2. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MS. CHU. LET ME ALSO CALL
25 UP ANDREA HEGYBELI. YES, SIR.



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2 **ROGER VAN WERT:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF
3 THE BOARD. MY NAME IS ROGER VAN WERT. I'M A 40-YEAR RESIDENT
4 OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT, AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF A-2. TO ME,
5 LISTENING TO THE TESTIMONY THIS MORNING, IT'S OBVIOUS TO ME
6 THAT THE PROPONENTS OF S-1 HAVE NOT MADE A COMPELLING CASE FOR
7 SUCH RADICAL CHANGE. AND I URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THE
8 CONCEPTS OF CONTINUITY, MINIMAL DISRUPTION AND EFFECTIVE
9 GOVERNMENT BY SUPPORTING THE A-2. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAN
12 HOFFMAN. YES, SIR.

13

14 **RAYMOND CHAVARRIA:** MY NAME IS RAYMOND CHAVARRIA A 30-YEAR
15 RESIDENT, CITY OF LONG BEACH. ALSO ASSOCIATE PROJECT DIRECTOR
16 OF THE UNITED CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY AND PREISDENT OF LATIN
17 AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER. I SUPPORT THE A-2 PLAN WHICH
18 CLOSELY MAINTAINS OUR CURRENT DISTRICT. ONE REASON IS
19 DIVERSITY WHICH IS OUR STRENGTH. DO NOT ISOLATE ONE ETHNIC
20 GROUP AGAINST THE OTHER. INSTEAD WE NEED TO EMBRACE IT. I LIVE
21 AND WORK AND SERVE THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY AND THE CAMBODIAN
22 COMMUNITY IN LONG BEACH WHO HAS BEEN REPRESENTED BY CURRENT
23 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DON KNABE. WE NEED TO KEEP THE CAMBODIAN
24 COMMUNITY AS ONE AND DO NOT DIVIDE LONG BEACH. DON KNABE HAS
25 BEEN A GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE DISTRICT 4. I'VE KNOWN DON KNABE



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1 FOR OVER 20 YEARS AS I WORK FOR MANY NONPROFITS. AND HE IS
2 THERE FOR EVERY ETHNIC GROUP, FOR EVERY ISSUE THAT WE HAVE
3 FROM YOUTH, FROM SENIOR, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT. SO
4 I SUPPORT THE DISTRICT 4. LET'S KEEP A-2 PLAN TOGETHER AS ONE
5 UNITED DISTRICT. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **ANDREA HEGABELI:** GOOD AFTERNOON. SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
10 ANDREA HEGABELI. I'M HERE AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN. AN ORIGINAL
11 ANGELINO AND I RESIDE IN SAN PEDRO. SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS
12 SERVED OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY VERY WELL AND ITS MANY
13 NONPROFITS. I REQUEST THAT YOU SUPPORT THE PLAN OF A-2, THE
14 LEAST DISRUPTIVE CHOICE FOR THE 15TH COUNCIL DISTRICT OF LOS
15 ANGELES. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. STEPHANIE
18 MARDESICH, ALEX HOLSHEIMER, LISA FRICKE, AND CHERYL ANDERSON-
19 BUTLER. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ANNE WILLIAMS, SUSIE YELLOW HORSE
20 JENSEN.

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22 **STEPHANIE MARDISICH:** HELLO, I'M STEPHANIE MARDISICH. I WAS
23 BORN AND RAISED IN SAN PEDRO. I'M ALSO THE DIRECTOR, FOUNDER
24 OF THE L.A. HARBOR INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL. MY FAMILY GOES
25 BACK NEWCOMERS ABOUT 100 YEARS. AND ARE ASSOCIATED WITH MY



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1 GRANDFATHER WHO IS A FOUNDER AND PIONEER OF THE CALIFORNIA
2 TUNA AND CANNING INDUSTRY. I'M HERE TODAY AND BY THE WAY IT'S
3 ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO BE IN YOUR PRESENCE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
4 SERVICE. LAST TIME I WAS HERE AND WAS UP TO SPEAK I WAS
5 LISTENING WHEN SUPERVISOR KNABE VERY GRACIOUSLY MADE A VERBAL
6 ADJOURNMENT IN HONOR OF MY LATE MOTHER, LEE MARDISICH WHO IS
7 INDEED HERE ABOUT ME IN SPIRIT TODAY. AND TODAY I'M HERE AS AN
8 INDIVIDUAL ALTHOUGH, FRANKLY, I'M FEELING A MINORITY AS THE
9 SINGLE WHITE FEMALE. NOBODY SEEMS TO BE SPEAKING UP FOR ME SO
10 I'LL DO THAT FOR MYSELF. AND I'M ALSO HERE UNOFFICIALLY FOR
11 DOZENS OF PEOPLE FROM SAN PEDRO WHO COULDN'T BE HERE BECAUSE
12 OF WORK OR VACATIONS, WHATEVER, WHO ABDICATE FOR KEEPING US
13 THE A-2 AREA. SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS FOR DECADES REPRESENTED THE
14 DISTINCTIVE INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITIES, ATTENTIVE TO
15 CONCERNS PRODUCTIVE IN LOOKING OUT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS
16 CIVICALLY, CULTURALLY, ETHNICALLY AND ETHICALLY.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SHORTEN IT.

19

20 **STEPHANIE MARDISICH:** CHANGE IS A GOOD THING SOMETIMES. BUT IN
21 MANY CASES, IT IS NOT WHEN IT DISRUPTS AND WILL NOT UNIFY
22 COMMUNITIES. IN FACT, IT WOULD BE LIKE A BAD DATE IF WE BREAK
23 THIS UP. GEOGRAPHICALLY UNDESIRABLE. SO LET'S KEEP US ALL
24 TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES, SIR.

2

3 **ALEX HOLSHEIMER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH
4 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALEX HOLSHEIMER AND
5 I'M WITH THE THAI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER. AND I JUST
6 WANT TO EXPRESS THAT OUR COMMUNITY RIGHT NOW IS CURRENTLY
7 SERVED BY THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND WE HAVE BEEN
8 APPRECIATIVE OF SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND REALLY MEETING
9 THE NEEDS OF THE THAI COMMUNITY. AND WE'RE FORTUNATE THAT THE
10 THAI COMMUNITY IS CURRENTLY BEING COMPREHENSIVELY COVERED BY
11 THE THIRD DISTRICT. THE THAI COMMUNITY PRIMARILY RESIDES IN
12 HOLLYWOOD, EAST HOLLYWOOD AND ALSO NORTH HOLLYWOOD AND THE SAN
13 FERNANDO VALLEY AREA. SO WE HAVE APPRECIATED THIS ACCESS AND
14 RELATIONSHIP OVER THE YEARS WITH SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND IN
15 ORDER TO PROPERLY ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THE THAI COMMUNITY IN
16 THE FUTURE, WE URGE FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE A-2 PLAN. THANK
17 YOU.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

20

21 **DAN HOFFMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DAN HOFFMAN, EXECUTIVE
22 DIRECTOR FOR THE WILMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. AND I WANT TO
23 THANK YOU FOR GIVING US THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU. ON
24 JULY 14TH, OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO KEEP
25 THE FOURTH DISTRICT INTACT AS BEST WE COULD. AND THEREFORE, WE



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1 SUPPORT A-2. I SHOULD MENTION THAT ON OUR BOARD, WE HAVE
2 REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE
3 YMCA, FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS' CLUB, THAT SIT ON THE LIONS
4 CLUB, THE ROTARY CLUB AND A NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF OUR
5 WILMINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. SO, YES, WE'D LOVE TO KEEP
6 THIS DISTRICTS INTACT AND DEFINITELY SUPERVISOR IS IN TUNE AND
7 IN TOUCH. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **ANNE WILLIAMS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M ANNE WILLIAMS WITH THE
12 CENTRAL CITY ASSOCIATION. C.C.A.'S 450 MEMBERS EMPLOY OVER
13 350,000 PEOPLE IN THE LOS ANGELES REGION WITH A PARTICULAR
14 EMPHASIS ON DOWNTOWN. AS YOU KNOW, DOWNTOWN L.A. IS AN
15 ECONOMIC DRIVER FOR THE ENTIRE REGION. AND STARTING AROUND
16 1999 C.C.A. HAS HELPED TO IGNITE AND NURTURE THE INCREDIBLE
17 REBIRTH OF THE CITY'S CORE. BUT THE SUCCESS OF THIS ONGOING
18 RENAISSANCE IS NOT A FOREGONE CONCLUSION, AND PROJECTS SUCH AS
19 STAPLES CENTER AND L.A. LIVE HAVE HELPED REVITALIZE DOWNTOWN.
20 BUT FUTURE PROJECTS SUCH AS THE PROPOSED NFL STADIUM WILL
21 SUSTAIN THAT GROWTH. TO KEEP IT MOVING, WE NEED TO KEEP
22 DOWNTOWN'S KEY ECONOMIC ASSETS TOGETHER UNDER UNIFIED
23 POLITICAL LEADERSHIP WITH A COMMON VISION. YOU KNOW THAT
24 DOWNTOWN L.A. IS A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST IN ITS ROLE AS A
25 REGIONAL ECONOMIC FORCE, BUT DID YOU KNOW THAT IT'S ALSO A



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1 BUSTLING RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD? AND THAT SINCE THE LAST
2 CENSUS, THE POPULATION OF DOWNTOWN HAS NEARLY TRIPLED AND NOW
3 TOPS OVER 50,000 PEOPLE. DOWNTOWN IS A VIBRANT ECONOMIC AND
4 RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY MUCH INTERESTS THAT MUST REMAIN
5 POLITICALLY UNITED TO MAKE SURE OUR RENAISSANCE CONTINUES.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET'S CALL UP LEN CHEN AND
8 TERI MALKIN.

9

10 **LISA FRICKE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LISA FRICKE AND I'M
11 THE DIRECTOR OF THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR THE APARTMENT
12 ASSOCIATION CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN CITIES. WE REPRESENT RENTAL
13 PROPERTY OWNERS IN 54 CITIES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY
14 PRIMARILY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBER
15 OF RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS AND THE TENANTS THEY PROVIDE SHELTER
16 FOR, OUR ASSOCIATION REPRESENTS ABOUT 2.5 MILLION PEOPLE. MANY
17 OF THESE PEOPLE WILL BE IMPACTED BY THE S-1 PLAN. IF THAT PLAN
18 IS ADOPTED, IT WILL BE TERRIBLY DISRUPTIVE TO THE PEOPLE AND
19 WILL REQUIRE EXTRA COUNTY FUNDING TO MOVE OFFICES AND PROVIDE
20 SERVICES. IN THIS TIME OF ECONOMIC DOWNTURN, THE ASSOCIATION
21 FEELS THERE ARE BETTER PLACES FOR THESE FUNDS TO BE SPENT. IF
22 THE S-1 PLAN IS ACCEPTED, THE BEACH COMMUNITIES FROM MARINA
23 DEL REY TO LONG BEACH WILL BE MOVED OUT OF DISTRICT 4. THESE
24 COMMUNITIES HAVE A HISTORY OF WORKING TOGETHER ON COMMON
25 PROBLEMS THAT PRE-DATES THE ELECTION OF SUPERVISOR KNABE. IN



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1 OTHER WORDS, IT'S A GROUP OF COMMUNITIES WHO HAVE LEARNED TO
2 WORK TOGETHER IN A POSITIVE, PRODUCTIVE AND EFFICIENT WAY. THE
3 APARTMENT ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN CITIES STRONGLY
4 REQUESTS THAT THE PLAN A-2 BE ACCEPTED.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. SUSIE YELLOWHORSE.

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8 **SUSIE YELLOW HOURSE JENSEN:** HI, MY NAME IS SUSIE YELLOWHORSE
9 JENSEN. I'M FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INDIAN CENTER AND WE HAVE
10 A STRONG, LONG HISTORY WORK RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOUTH BASE
11 CENTER COUNSELING WITH SPA 8. BEING A RESIDENT OF THE SAN
12 PEDRO, A MOTHER, A GRANDMOTHER AND AUNT AND TWO EXTENDED
13 FAMILIES, THE 2011 CENSUS WITH THE AMERICAN INDIAN POPULATION
14 GREW OVER 250,000 AMERICAN INDIANS LIVE IN THE L.A. COUNTY
15 ORANGE COUNTY AND THE SOUTH BAY. IN SUPPORT OF THE PLAN A-2
16 PLAN IS REALLY VITAL TO THE PROGRAM AND SERVICES. TO DISRUPT
17 IT WOULD DELAY SERVICES FOR EVERYONE. BEING SO I WORK FOR
18 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INDIAN CENTER WHO SERVICES THE LARGEST
19 POPULATION IN L.A. COUNTY WITH THE AMERICAN INDIAN FAMILY
20 PARTNERHSIP AND THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, I ALSO WORK WITH
21 THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD IN THE SOUTH BAY. SAYING THIS,
22 THE COMMUNITY SPLIT AND THE EFFECTIVENESS, THE EXTENDED
23 FAMILIES ARE VERY INTEGRATED THROUGHOUT THE REGION EVEN MORE
24 SO DOWN IN THE SOUTH BAY WITH AMERICAN INDIANS INTERMARRIAGE
25 WITH THE LATINO POPULATION. SO I WOULD SAY CHILDREN FIRST,



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1 FAMILIES FIRST. THAT'S THE WHOLE CONCEPT OF COMING TOGETHER
2 AND WORKING TOGETHER, TO KEEP THINGS THE WAY THEY ARE,
3 LISTENING TO THE HISTORICAL AND THE CULTURAL EFFECTS OF OUR
4 PEOPLE HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SOVANA HAS, SHARI
7 WEAVER? [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **LA DEAN CHAN:** THANK YOU, MAYOR, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR. MY NAME
10 IS LA DEAN CHAN REPRESENTING ST. MARY MEDICAL CENTER AND ALSO
11 WORK FOR THE EN3 PROGRAM WHICH IS A YOUTH PROGRAM IN THE
12 FOURTH DISTRICT, DON KNABE HAS BEEN A STRONG SUPPORTER OF OUR
13 YOUTH PROGRAM. AND I ALSO LIVE, WORK AND SERVE IN THE FOURTH
14 DISTRICT. I SUPPORT THE KEEPING THE CURRENT A-2 PLAN, DIVIDING
15 UP THE FOURTH DISTRICT WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY DILUTE THE A.P.I.
16 VOTING STRENGTH ESPECIALLY THE CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY AND THE
17 YOUTH VOICE WOULD NOT BE HEARD ALSO. DON'T SPLIT THE COMMUNITY
18 THAT HAS SHARED THE SAME INTERESTS, SERVICE AND REPRESENTATION
19 OVER 20 YEARS. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
22 CAROLINE BRADY, CAROLINE? YES, MA'AM.

23

24 **TERI MALKIN:** HI, I'M TERI MALKIN AND I'M A RESIDENT OF ROLAND
25 HEIGHTS, A MEMBER OF R.H.C.C., OUR TOWN COUNCIL. I'M ACTIVE IN



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1 THE YOUTH SCIENCE CENTER AND VARIOUS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
2 IN DON KNABE'S DISTRICT. AND I AM IN FAVOR OF KEEPING A-2. WE
3 HAVE, THROUGH THE DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS AND THROUGH THE
4 COMMUNITY, DON KNABE'S BEEN A FANTASTIC SUPPORTER, BOTH HE AND
5 HIS STAFF. AND WE WOULD HATE TO START SQUARE 1 DEVELOPING
6 THESE RELATIONSHIPS BECAUSE IT TAKES A LONG TIME TO DEVELOP
7 THEM AND THEY'RE VERY DEEP AND COMPREHENSIVE AND HE TRULY
8 UNDERSTANDS THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY. IT WOULD SECOND BE
9 VERY DISRUPTIVE IF WE HAD TO MOVE A LOT OF- TRANSFER A LOT OF
10 PEOPLE. AND THIS PLAN IS THE LEAST DISRUPTIVE. BUT MOST
11 IMPORTANTLY, DON KNABE REPRESENTS OUR VERY DIVERSE COMMUNITY.
12 IN MOST OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS, WE'RE VERY DIVERSE. AND WE'RE
13 ABLE TO WORK TOGETHER. AND I THINK IF THE OTHER PLAN S-1 IS
14 APPROVED, I THINK THAT WOULD SERIOUSLY IMPEDE OTHER GROUPS
15 SUCH AS THE A.P.I. GROUP, WHICH IS A GROWING MINORITY IN OUR
16 COMMUNITY WITH WHICH WE HAVE- THEY'RE A VERY STRONG MINORITY,
17 INCREASING MINORITY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME --

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21 **SHARI WEAVER:** MY NAME IS SHARI WEAVER I'M FROM HARBOR
22 INTERFAITH SERVICES IN SAN PEDRO AND SUPERVISOR KNABE IS OUR
23 COUNTY SUPERVISOR FOR THE COMMUNITY THAT WE SUPPORT. WE
24 PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE HOMELESS AND WORKING POOR IN OUR
25 COMMUNITY. ON AN ANNUAL BASIS WE SERVE OVER 15,000 MEN, WOMEN,



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1 AND CHILDREN, OF WHICH 60 PERCENT ARE HISPANIC. SUPERVISOR
2 KNABE'S LEADERSHIP POSITIVELY IMPACTS THE WORK WE ARE DOING,
3 INCLUDING HELPING THOSE WE SERVE OBTAIN HOUSING, JOBS,
4 CHILDCARE, EDUCATION, AND ULTIMATELY SELF-SUFFICIENCY.
5 SUPERVISOR KNABE KNOWS THE NEEDS, ISSUES AND CHALLENGES OF HIS
6 CONSTITUENTS IN HIS DISTRICT AND HE SERVES THEM CONCIENTIOUSLY
7 AND WITH DIGNITY. WE WOULD LIKE TO THROW OUR SUPPORT TOWARDS
8 PLAN A-2. AND WE STRONGLY DISAGREE WITH THE PLANS FOR MAJOR
9 REDISTRICTING. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP LYNN
12 EBENKANP AND VANESSA ROMAIN.

13

14 **SOVANA HAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MAYOR. MY
15 NAME IS SOVANA HAS. IM A YOUTH ORGANIZER FOR THE EM3 PROGRAM
16 WHICH STANDS FOR EDUCATED MEN WITH MEANINGFUL MESSAGES. UNDER
17 THE AGENCY OF FAMILIES OF GOOD HEALTH LOCATED IN ST. MARY'S
18 MEDICAL CENTER IN LONG BEACH. I UNDERSTAND THAT WHAT I'M ABOUT
19 TO SPEAK ABOUT IS REPETITIVE TODAY BUT IT ALSO SHOWS THE HIGH
20 LEVEL OF IMPORTANCE AND CONCERN IF S-1 IS APPROVED. IT WOULD
21 BASICALLY CAUSE A DRAMATIC CHANGE WITH THE POPULATION,
22 SHIFTING IT OVER. AS THE PLAN WILL ALSO DIVIDE THE A.P.I.
23 COMMUNITY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. THIS WILL ALSO MEAN THAT THE
24 VOTING NUMBERS WILL BE DILUTED AND CAN BE LOST. SO OUR VOICE
25 WILL BE HEARD ONLY AT A MINIMUM. WITH THAT BEING SAID, OUR



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1 CONCERNS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY WILL HAVE
2 A STRONG POSSIBILITY OF NOT BEING ACCOUNTED FOR. SO I AM IN
3 FULL SUPPORT OF THE RECOMMENDED A-2 PLAN. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
4 MENTION THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE AN
5 EFFECTIVE ROLE IN SUPPORTING AND HEARING OUT THE A.P.I.
6 COMMUNITY IN LONG BEACH. AND FINALLY I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK
7 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MELINA
10 ABDULLAH. YES, MA'AM.

11

12 **CAROLINE BRADY:** HI MY NAME IS CAROLINE BRADY CINCO. I'M FOR
13 HARBOR INTERFAITH SERVICES A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT
14 SERVES MORE THAN 15,000 HOMELESS AND WORKING POOR IN THE
15 HARBOR AREA OF LOS ANGELES. WE'RE IN THE MIDST OF BUILDING A
16 NEW THREE-STORY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER. AND THIS PROJECT
17 SIMPLY WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF COUNTY
18 SUPERVISOR DON KNABE WHO NOT ONLY IDENTIFIED A BULK OF THE
19 FUNDING BUT THROUGH HIS SUPPORT BEHIND US WE COULD RAISE THE
20 REMAINDER OF THE FUNDS NECESSARY. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I
21 DON'T THINK YOU HAVE TO BE HOMELESS OR POOR TO REPRESENT
22 PEOPLE IN NEED. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A MINORITY TO REPRESENT
23 THOSE WHO DESERVE A VOICE. YOU JUST HAVE TO HAVE AN EAR TO
24 LISTEN AND A HEART TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT. WE SUPPORT THE
25 RECOMMENDATIONS OF A-2 PLAN. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP TUNUA
3 THRASH. YES, MA'AM.

4

5 **LYNN EBANKANP:** MY NAME IS LYNN EBANKANP AND I'M FROM ROWLAND
6 HEIGHTS. THE PEOPLE BEHIND ME STANDING SUPPORT THE A-2 PLAN
7 FOR SEVERAL REASONS. IT MOVES ONLY 150,000 RESIDENTS INSTEAD
8 OF NEARLY 3.4 MILLION TO NEW DISTRICTS AS THE S-1 PLAN DOES.
9 CHANGES ARE COSTLY, BOTH IN TIME AND MONEY. AND THE
10 UNINCORPORATED AREAS WILL PAY FOR THIS DEARLY WITH THEIR
11 SERVICES. I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT IN LOOKING AT THE PLANS,
12 WHAT I SEE IS DISTRICT 1, 2 AND 4 ALL HAVING MORE LATINO
13 RESIDENTS THAN THE OTHER CONSTITUENTS OF THOSE DISTRICTS. SO
14 THE A-2 PLAN SEEMS FAIRER FOR ALL CONCERNED. THE DISTRIBUTION
15 IN OUR COMMUNITY OF THE ETHNIC GROUPS IS BETTER AND GIVES A
16 CHANCE FOR ANY MINORITY TO RUN FOR OFFICE AND BE ELECTED. IT
17 CREATES A DISTRICT THAT HAS ETHNICITIES WHO ARE DIVERSE, AND
18 THE S-1 PLAN WOULD INCREASE THE HISPANIC POPULATION OF
19 DISTRICT 4 TO ALMOST 52 PERCENT. THAT'S VIRTUALLY ELIMINATING
20 THE POSSIBILITY OF A CANDIDATE OF ANY OTHER ETHNICITY RUNNING
21 FOR OFFICE AND WINNING. I AM A BROWN-SKINNED PERSON. I'M A
22 FEMALE AND A SENIOR AND I WAS BORN IN CENTRAL AMERICA. AND I
23 HAVE TO ADMIT THE S-2 PLAN CREATES A STACKED DECK. PLEASE DO
24 THE RIGHT THING AND APPROVE THE A-2 PLAN AS RECOMMENDED BY THE
25 BOARD OF REGIONAL. [APPLAUSE.]



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SPEAKER: I WANT TO SAY DITTO TO EVERYTHING EVERYONE SAID TODAY
HAVE I THINK IT'S BEEN AN INCREDIBLE DAY TO HEAR THAT PEOPLE
WANT TO KEEP OUR DISTRICT TOGETHER AND THAT IS IN SUPPORT OF
A-2. NOT ONLY THAT, I THINK IT'S BEEN AN INCREDIBLE DAY TO SAY
TO DON KNABE THAT HE HAS BEEN A REPRESENTATIVE. WHEN WE SAY
THAT, WE KNOW DON KNABE AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR DISTRICT.
HE LISTENS TO US. HE KNOWS US PERSONALLY. HE MAKES JOKES. HE
MAKES US LAUGH. AND HE ALSO IS A GOOD MAN. SO LET'S KEEP OUR
DISTRICT TOGETHER. AND I SUPPORT THAT WHOLE CONCEPT. THANK
YOU, DON.

12

SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] YES, MA'AM.

14

MELINA ABDULLAH: HI, MY NAME IS MELINA ABDULLAH AND I'M A
PROFESSOR OF PAN-AFRICAN STUDIES AND POLITICAL SCIENCE AT
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES. AND I'M HERE TO
SUPPORT S-1. ON MY DRIVE OVER HERE, I KEPT HEARING THE VOICE
OF FANNIE LOU HAMER IN MY MIND AND I WAS HEARING HER VOICE
SAYING "I'M SICK AND TIRED OF BEING SICK AND TIRED." AND I
THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE UNDERSTAND THE HISTORY OF
THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND THE VOTING RIGHTS IN THE UNITED
STATES. PEOPLE OF COLOR WERE GIVEN THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO
VOTE IN 1870 WITH THE PASSAGE OF THE 15TH AMENDMENT BUT WE
KNOW THAT STATES AND MUNICIPALITIES BLOCKED OUR RIGHT TO VOTE

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1 AND THROUGH A LONG HISTORY OF STRUGGLE, WOMEN LIKE FANNIE LOU
2 HAMER WE FINALLY WON THAT RIGHT IN 1965. THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
3 WAS SEEN AS THE CAPSTONE OF THIS MOVEMENT. BUT WE ALSO SAW
4 SOMETHING ELSE HAPPEN. THE REALITY BEING THAT PEOPLE OF COLOR
5 WERE STILL NOT FULLY REPRESENTED. AND SO WITH THE PASSAGE OF
6 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, WE ALSO SAW THE RISE OF REVOLUTIONARY
7 MOVEMENTS AND THE USE OF LITIGATION AS A MEANS OF EMPOWERMENT.
8 AND SO I'D LIKE TO ENCOURAGE S-1 BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT IT
9 MORE FULLY REPRESENTS COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. IT ALLOWS THE
10 PROTECTED INDIVIDUALS, IT PROTECTS THE RIGHT OF INDIVIDUAL
11 VOTERS AND IT INABILITIES CITIZENS TO ELECT THEIR CANDIDATES
12 OF CHOICE. AS TALKED ABOUT EARLIER, THE LATINO POPULATION IN
13 L.A. COUNTY IS 48 PERCENT. THE C.V.A.P. NUMBER IS 34 PERCENT.
14 IF WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION, THE S-1
15 PLAN DOES THAT. A-2 SIMPLY MAINTAINS THE STATUS QUO. IT
16 UNDERREPRESENTS LATINOS. IT INVITES LAWSUITS. AND IT PACKS
17 LATINO COMMUNITIES AND LATINO VOTERS TOO TIGHTLY. S-1
18 ENFRANCHISES LATINO VOTING POPULATIONS, IT OFFERS
19 OPPORTUNITIES FOR COALITION BUILDING, THE MAP IS MORE
20 INCLUSIVE, IT AFFIRMS GOVERNMENTAL LEGITIMACY BY ENFRANCHISING
21 LATINO VOTERS MORE FULLY. AND IT DOESN'T POSE THE SAME THREAT
22 OF SUIT OR OF REVOLUTIONARY MEANS THAT A-2 DOES. SO I
23 ENCOURAGE THE SUPPORT OF PLAN S-1.
24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO
2 CALL UP EFREN MARTINEZ, LAWRENCE LUE AND LEON JENKINS. YES,
3 MA'AM.

4
5 **TUNUA THRASH:** GOOD AFTERNOON OR GOOD MORNING STILL OR
6 AFTERNOON NOW. I'VE BEEN HERE A LITTLE WHILE. MY NAME IS TUNUA
7 THRASH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY
8 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND A MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN
9 REDISTRICTING COLLABORATIVE. I HAVE PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS THE
10 GREEN LIGHTING INSTITUTE STATEWIDE COORDINATOR ON STATE
11 REDISTRICTING. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW I WORKED ALONGSIDE MARK
12 _____, HARRIS DAWSON AND MS. JACKIE DUPONT WALKER WHO
13 PRESENTED THE PLAN WHICH IS KNOWN AS S-1. TODAY I'D LIKE TO
14 REMIND YOU THAT WE DREW THIS PLAN USING INPUT FROM FAITH-
15 BASED, SMALL BUSINESS AND ORGANIZED LABOR. WE DREW A COMMUNITY
16 OF INTEREST TESTIMONY GATHERED THROUGH NUMEROUS COMMUNITY
17 MEETINGS HELD AROUND THE REGION. ALL SOCIOECONOMIC AND ETHNIC
18 COMMUNITIES INCLUDING INSIGHT GAINED FROM PARTNER INSTITUTIONS
19 SUCH AS _____, MALDEF, _____. AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE
20 CALIFORNIA REDISTRICTING COALITION. TODAY'S CONVERSATION
21 SHOULD NOT BE CELEBRATING MOBILIZATION EFFORTS AND EMAIL
22 BLASTS. REDISTRICTING IS NOT ABOUT INTIMIDATION. RATHER, IT IS
23 AN ACT THAT PROMOTES ACCOUNTABILITY. I URGE YOU TO BE
24 ACCOUNTABLE TO ALL ANGELINOS BY VOTING FOR S-1, A MAP THAT
25 PROVIDES REAL OPPORTUNITY FOR REAL PEOPLE. AFRICAN-AMERICANS



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1 IS THE DIRECT BENEFICIARIES OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965
2 CONTINUE TO LEAD THE FIGHT TO ENSURE THAT MORE COMMUNITIES AS
3 THE ACT HAS DONE OVER THE YEARS CONTINUE TO BE INCLUDED IN
4 THAT UMBRELLA. THE 1965 VOTING RIGHTS ACT HAS HISTORIC
5 SIGNIFICANCE AS A HALLMARK ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE CIVIL RIGHTS
6 MOVEMENT. NOW THE PUSH IS FOR EMPOWERMENT. THE MAPS THAT WE
7 DREW INCLUDE TWO LATINO DISTRICTS. SOME WOULD SAY IF IT'S NOT
8 BROKE, WHY FIX IT? WE WOULD ASK IF IT'S NOT BROKEN FOR WHOM,
9 THE BOARD SHOULD AVOID THE APPEARANCE OF INCUMBENT PROTECTION,
10 EFFECTIVE REPRESENTATION AND THE ABILITY TO WILL POWER OF THE
11 FRANCHISE IS CRITICAL TO PUBLIC POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND
12 RESOURCE ALLOCATION. DISTRICT BOUNDARIES DEFINE THE TERRAIN
13 UPON WHICH ELECTORAL EMPOWERMENT OCCURS. WE URGE YOU TO
14 CONSIDER AND VOTE FOR MAP S-1. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO CALL UP JACKIE DU PONT
17 WALKER. YES, SIR.

18

19 **EFREN MARTINEZ:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GIVE YOUR NAME FIRST.

22

23 **EFREN MARTINEZ:** MY NAME IS EFREN MARTINEZ OF EXECUTIVE
24 DIRECTOR OF THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE WALNUT PARK CHAMBER OF
25 COMMERCE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY.



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1 ALTHOUGH OUR COMMUNITY WOULD ENCOUNTER A CHANGE OF COUNTY
2 SUPERVISOR, OUR CHAMBER, BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS OF THE
3 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AND WALNUT PARK COMMUNITIES AGREE WITH AND
4 STRONGLY SUPPORT THE AMENDED S-1 PLAN KNOWN AS THE LATINO
5 AFRICAN-AMERICAN COALITION MAP, WHICH WOULD CREATE TWO LATINO
6 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND KEEP IT COMPETITIVE AFRICAN-
7 AMERICAN DISTRICT. THE AMENDED S-1 PLAN ADDRESSES THE LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY HISTORY OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AT THE BALLOT
9 BOX. IN 1991, WHEN AS A RESULT OF THE GARZA VERSUS COUNTY OF
10 LOS ANGELES CASE, THE U.S. SUPREME COURT FORCED THE COUNTY TO
11 REDRAW ITS DISTRICT LINES TO FAIRLY ALLOW LATINO
12 REPRESENTATION. MUST WE GO THROUGH THIS AGAIN AND THROW AWAY
13 OUR TAXPAYERS' MONEY DURING THESE HARD FINANCIAL TIMES? AND
14 I'LL FINISH OFF WITH THIS QUOTE. AS THE GREAT DR. MARTIN
15 LUTHER KING ONCE SAID "THE ULTIMATE MEASURE OF A MAN IS NOT
16 WHERE HE STANDS IN MOMENTS OF COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE BUT
17 WHERE HE STANDS AT TIMES OF CHALLENGE AND CONTROVERSY."
18 THEREFORE, I ASK YOU TO THINK NOT OF YOURSELVES, YOUR
19 ETHNICITY AND/OR YOUR SELF-INTERESTS BUT TO DO THE RIGHT THING
20 AND SUPPORT THIS HISTORICAL VOTE ON THE AMENDED S-1 PLAN.
21 THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ERICA
24 TESSLEY LINUK. [APPLAUSE.] YES, SIR.

25



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1 **LAWRENCE LUE:** THANK YOU, MAYOR, AND SUPERVISORS. I HAVE A MAP
2 TO SHARE WITH YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GINO?

5

6 **LAWRENCE LUE:** I'M LAWRENCE LUE, I'M THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
7 OFFICER OF THE CHINATOWN SERVICE WE'RE LOCATED IN CHINATOWN IN
8 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1. I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST ACKNOWLEDGE
9 THAT WE HAVE, IN OUR COMMUNITY, HAVE ENJOYED A WONDERFUL
10 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND PARTICULARLY
11 OBVIOUSLY OUR SUPERVISOR IN DISTRICT 1, MISS MOLINA AS WELL AS
12 THE RECOGNITION BY YOURSELF, THE FIFTH DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR
13 ANTONOVICH, ABOUT THE EXTENT AND REALLY HOW OUR COMMUNITY
14 AFFILIATES. THE MAP THAT YOU HAVE THERE IT IS ACTUALLY A MAP
15 OF OUR PATIENTS, THE CLIENTS WHO COME TO OUR CLINIC IN
16 CHINATOWN. AND I UNDERScore, YOU SEE ON LEFT SIDE HIGHLIGHTED
17 IN GREEN, THAT IS THE LOCATION OF CHINATOWN. THAT IS WHERE WE
18 ARE LOCATED. THE MAP REFLECTS THAT CHINATOWN CONTINUES TO
19 SERVE AS A CRITICAL RESOURCE AND PLANNING BODY AS PART OF THE
20 CHINESE COMMUNITY. AND SO WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THAT, WHAT HAS
21 BUILT UP TO THIS TIME THAT IN SOME WAY WILL BE INCORPORATED
22 INTO THE PLANS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED. OBVIOUSLY A-2 FITS
23 THAT. AND REALLY I ONLY COME TO SPEAK ABOUT A-2 AND TO
24 UNDERScore WHAT HAS BEEN THE BENEFITS THERE TO OUR COMMUNITY
25 FOR PLANNING, TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE SERVED IF CHINATOWN IS NOT



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1 INCLUDED WITH THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, GIVEN THE COUNTY
2 PLANNING PROCESSES AND ADVOCACY AND EVERYTHING, IT WOULD JUST
3 ADD MORE CHALLENGES TO A REALLY GROWING COMMUNITY AND ONE THAT
4 STILL IS VERY CONNECTED TO CHINATOWN, TALKING ABOUT THE SAN
5 GABRIEL VALLEY. SO THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
8 LEON JENKINS. BLAIR TAYLOR. AND ERICA.

9

10 **JACQUELYN DUPORT-WALKER:** I'M JACKIE.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS ERICA MENAK HERE? YES, SIR.

13

14 **LEON JENKINS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LEON JENKINS. I'M
15 PRESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES N.A.A.C.P. THE N.A.A.C.P. HAS HAD THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT BOTH MAPS. AND WE SUPPORT S-1. AND THE
17 REASON WE DO THAT IS BECAUSE IF YOU LOOK AT THE VOTING RIGHTS
18 ACT, SECTION 2, IT TALKS ABOUT SEVEN ITEMS WHERE IT LOOKS AT
19 IN DECIDING WHETHER IT IS PROPER FOR THEM TO LOOK AT THAT
20 ISSUE WHETHER IT'S RACIALLY MOTIVATED OR DISCRIMINATORY. AND
21 NUMBER 7 SAYS THE EXTENT TO WHICH MEMBERS OF A MINORITY GROUP
22 HAVE BEEN ELECTED IN THE PUBLIC OFFICE IN THAT PARTICULAR
23 JURISDICTION. AND IF YOU LOOK AT THAT, THERE HAS NOT BEEN
24 ANYONE. AND YOU HAVE A COUNTY THAT IS 48 PERCENT HISPANIC. AND
25 YET BY ACCEPTING OR VOTING FOR A-2, WHAT YOU EFFECTIVELY DO IS



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1 YOU WOULD DILUTE THE VOICE OF THE MINORITY TO THE EXTENT THAT
2 THEY CANNOT EVEN BE HEARD. NOT ONLY THAT NOT EVEN THEIR PARTY
3 AFFILIATION WOULD BE REPRESENTATIVE. I HEARD RUMORS THAT ONE
4 OF THE REASONS THAT WE SHOULD ALLOW A-1 AND BE IN FAVOR OF
5 THAT IS BECAUSE IT ALLOWS THE LONG TIME INCUMBENT TO STAY IN
6 OFFICE. BUT THAT'S FUNDAMENTALLY WRONG. YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO
7 RUN. NOT A RIGHT TO CONTROL OR REPRESENT PEOPLE THAT YOU DON'T
8 REPRESENT. YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO SERVE AND A PRIVILEGE TO SERVE
9 IF YOU'RE ELECTED. BUT YOU CAN'T CLOSE OUT 48 PERCENT OF THE
10 POPULATION. IF THEY ARE 48 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION, THEY
11 SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST TWO SEATS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP STEVE REYES AND
14 MARK ROSENBAUM. YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **JACQUELYN DUPONT-WALKER:** I'M JACKIE DUPONT- WALKER, PRESIDENT
17 OF WARD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ASSOCIATED WITH WARD
18 A.M.E. CHURCH. I ALSO REPRESENT THE FIFTH DISTRICT OF THE
19 A.M.E. CHURCH WHICH SERVES 14 WESTERN STATES. I REALLY
20 UNDERSTAND REDISTRICTING FROM SEVERAL LEVELS, NOT THE LEAST OF
21 WHICH HAVING SERVED ON THE CITY'S REDISTRICT COMMISSION ON IN
22 THE YEAR 2000. I LIVE IN THE SECOND. MY OFFICE IS IN THE
23 FIRST. MY CHURCH IS IN THE FIRST. I SERVE THE SECOND AND THE
24 THIRD AND THE FOURTH AND THE FIFTH. AND SO I LOOK AT THIS VERY
25 DIFFERENTLY, I BELIEVE. REDISTRICTING IS THE MOST POLITICAL OF



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1 PROCESSES THAT WE COULD BE DEALING WITH. AND HAVING TRACKED
2 THE STATE'S REDISTRICTING PROCESS, I THINK MORE PEOPLE ARE
3 VERY MUCH AWARE OF HOW IT IMPACTS OUR LIVES. YOU, EACH ONE OF
4 YOU, HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT JOB TODAY. AND THAT'S TO BE
5 ADVOCATES OF FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE. IT'S DOCUMENTED THE VOTING
6 RIGHTS ACT, BUT I KNOW THAT IT MUST BE IN YOUR HEARTS TO BE
7 THE ADVOCATES OF FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE. AND SO WE COME TODAY,
8 HAVING MUCH BEEN SAID ABOUT THE DETAILS, TO URGE YOU TO
9 SUPPORT A PLAN THAT SUPPORTS THE PEOPLE. WE URGE YOU TO DRAW
10 TWO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS AT THE VERY LEAST. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] YES, SIR.

13

14 **BLAIR TAYLOR:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BLAIR TAYLOR. I'M THE
15 PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE AND THE
16 L.A. URBAN LEAGUE HERE IN L.A. SERVES ABOUT 125,000 OF THE
17 NEEDIEST RESIDENTS OF OUR CITY EACH AND EVERY YEAR. I'VE ALSO
18 BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS, WORKING
19 WITH THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN REDISTRICTING ASSOCIATION. AND I
20 JUST WANT TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION, I AM HERE TO TESTIFY IN
21 FAVOR OF THE S-1 MAP. I WANT TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO REALLY
22 BRIEFLY IN A REPORT THAT WAS RELEASED BY THE LOS ANGELES URBAN
23 LEAGUE IN 2011 CALLED THE STATE OF BLACK LOS ANGELES REPORT,
24 WHICH REALLY CONCISELY FRAMES THE ISSUES IN OUR COMMUNITY AND
25 THE WORK OF THE L.A. URBAN LEAGUE AND THE PARTNERS. WE HAVE A



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1 NUMBER OF PROJECTS GOING ON IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES TODAY,
2 INCLUDING ONE CALLED NEIGHBORHOODS AT WORK, WHICH WORKS WITH
3 165 DIFFERENT PARTNERS IN A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST BORDERING
4 AND SURROUNDING THE CRENSHAW CORRIDOR. AND I THINK THAT THIS
5 REPORT, OF WHICH FRAMES NOT ONLY THE ISSUES FACING AFRICAN-
6 AMERICANS AND OTHER MINORITIES, BUT THE SOLUTIONS IS ONE THAT
7 IS VERY IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER WHEN YOU'RE CONSIDERING THE
8 COMMUNITY OF INTEREST ARGUMENT. I AM ASKING TODAY THAT YOU
9 KEEP THE SOUTH L.A. COMMUNITY INTACT AND THAT YOU DO THAT
10 THROUGH THE MAP AS PRESENTED IN S-1. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP HECTOR
13 VELEGRAS AND ARTURO VARGAS. YES, SIR.

14

15 **STEVE REYES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE REYES. I'M AN
16 ATTORNEY WITH KAUFFMAN LEGAL GROUP, A POLITICAL LAW FIRM IN
17 LOS ANGELES. I SERVED AS A COMMISSIONER ON THE BOUNDARY REVIEW
18 COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA. PREVIOUSLY I
19 ALSO SERVED WITH THE MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND
20 EDUCATION FUND. WHERE I HELP LITIGATE SECTION 2, SECTION 5 AND
21 SECTION 203 VOTING RIGHTS ACT CASES. PLAN A-2 MAKES ONLY MINOR
22 MODIFICATIONS TO THE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AND IF
23 ADOPTED WILL MEAN BOUNDARIES WILL REMAIN LARGELY UNCHANGED FOR
24 20 YEARS. IT IS MY OPINION THAT A NUMBER OF THE ARGUMENTS
25 ADVANCED JUSTIFY PLAN A-2 ARE TENUOUS AND RAISE THE SPECTOR OF



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1 LITIGATION AS WELL AS THE PROSPECT OF RENEWED OVERSIGHT BY THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. MY OPINION IS BASED ON A NUMBER OF
3 FACTORS, SOME OF WHICH INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING. FIRST, THE
4 LEVITT REPORT PROVIDES A SIGNIFICANT AND UNPRECEDENTED LEVEL
5 OF DETAIL AND EVIDENCE FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AS IT DECIDES
6 WHAT COURSE OF ACTION IT SHOULD FOLLOW. THE LEVITT REPORT AT
7 414 PAGES EXAMINES EACH OF THE GINGLES SECTION 2 PRECONDITIONS
8 INCLUDING THE EXTENT TO WHICH RACIALLY POLAR POLARIZED VOTING
9 EXIS IN THE THE COUNTRY. IT DOES. THE REPORT HIDES NOTHING AND
10 LAYS OUT ITS DATA, EVIDENCE AND REASONING FOR ALL TO SEE. IN
11 CONTRAST THIS, BODY IS ASKED TO MAKE A 10-YEAR COMMITMENT AND
12 RISK LITIGATION BASED ON OUTSIDE COUNSEL'S TWO-PAGE
13 MEMORANDUM. THAT AUGUST FOURTH TWO-PAGE MEMORANDUM MAKES
14 SWEEPING FACTUAL AND LEGAL CONCLUSIONS REGARDING PLAN A-2 AND
15 THE CURRENT STAT OF LATINO ELECTORAL OPPORTUNITIES. OF COURSE
16 IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT A TWO-PAGE MEMO CAN'T EXPLORE IN ANY
17 MEANINGFUL WAY THE DETAILED DISCUSSION OF CROSSOVER VOTING AS
18 A REMEDY TO SECTION 2 VIOLATIONS AS IT REFERENCES IS ALSO
19 UNDERSTANDABLE THAT A TWO-PAGE MEMORANDUM CANNOT DO JUSTICE TO
20 THE COMPLEX ANALYSIS REQUIREED TO STATE WITH LEGAL CERTAINTY
21 "THAT LATINO CANDIDATES OF CHOICE ARE REGULARLY ABLE TO
22 ACHIEVE ELECTORAL SUCCESS IN THE COUNTY." UNQUOTE. THE
23 UNDERLYING DATA IS COMPLETELY HIDDEN FROM SCRUTINY. IF THE
24 SUPERVISORS ARE INDEED CONFIDENT IN ITS COUNSEL'S ANALYSIS, I
25 REQUEST THAT IT RELEASE THAT DATA IMMEDIATELY. I FIND THIS



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1 SUBMISSION PARTICULARLY SURPRISING SINCE PRIOR TO THE RELEASE
2 OF THE LEVITT REPORT, MANY OF THE COMMISSIONERS ON THE B.R.C.
3 OPPOSED ADOPTION OF A PLAN CREATING AN ADDITIONAL MAJORITY
4 MINORITY LATINO DISTRICT BECAUSE THAT EVIDENCE WAS NOT ON THE
5 RECORD, NOW IT IS. THIRD, THE CONCLUSIONS CONTAINED IN THE
6 LEVITT REPORT DO NOT STAND ALONE. AS PART OF THE NEW CITIZENS
7 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION, ITS LEGAL COUNSEL, GIBSON, DUNN AND
8 CRUTCHER, INDEPENDENTLY EXAMINED THESE SAME ISSUES. ITS JULY
9 13, 2011 MEMORANDUM STATED IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS WE HAVE
10 CONCLUDED THAT RACIALLY POLARIZED VOTING LIKELY EXISTS IN LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY. MOREOVER, THE EVIDENCE IS SUFFICIENTLY
12 ABUNDANT THAT WE BELIEVE IT IS REASONABLE TO INFER THAT A
13 SOPHISTICATED PLAINTIFF'S EXPERT COULD DEVELOP EVIDENCE TO
14 PERSUADE A COURT THAT THE SECOND AND THIRD GINGLES
15 PRECONDITIONS HAVE BEEN MET IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. FOURTH AND
16 FINALLY WHILE THERE HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT OUTPOURING IN
17 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-2 SOME OF WHICH ARTICULATE VALID COMMUNITY
18 INTEREST CONCERNS I HAVE HEARD NOTHING THUS FAR AS A FORMER
19 MEMBER OF THE B.R.C. OR DURING THESE PROCEEDINGS THAT
20 JUSTIFIES SUBORDINATING COMPLIANCE WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
21 TO OTHER REDISTRICTING CRITERIA INCLUDING COMMUNITIES OF
22 INTEREST CONCERNS. THE SUPREMACY CLAUSE MAKES CLEAR THAT
23 NEITHER STATE CONSTITUTION, THE STATE ELECTIONS CODE OR THIS
24 COUNTY'S CAN TRUMP COMPLIANCE WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT TO.
25 THE EXTENT THE COUNTY IGNORES THOSE DIRECTIVES, I FEAR IT WILL



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1 RISK EXPOSURE UNDER SECTION TWO OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I
2 IMPLORE THE BOARD TO RESPECT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND TO HEED
3 AND NOT REPEAT THE PAINFUL LESSONS LEARNED FROM GARZA. I THANK
4 YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE SERVED THE
5 BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE ON THIS BOARD.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. STEVE OCHOA? YES, SIR.

8 [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **MARK ROSENBAUM:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M MARK ROSENBAUM, I'M CHIEF
11 COUNCIL OF THE A.C.L.U. HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I LITIGATED THE
12 GARZA CASE ON BEHALF OF THE A.C.L.U. REDISTRICTING IS A NOBLE
13 AND ORIGINAL AMERICAN IDEAL. SO FAR AS I KNOW, IT IS UNIQUE
14 WITHIN THE POLITICAL SYSTEMS AMONG ALL NATIONS. MORE THAN ONE
15 PERSON ONE VOTE, REDISTRICTING IS ABOUT ACCESS TO POWER,
16 WHETHER THAT ACCESS IS TO BE HOARDED OR TO BE SHARED. IN SOME
17 WAYS, REDISTRICTING IS POLITICALLY COUNTER INTUITIVE. AS
18 DIVERSE GROUPS GROW IN POPULATION, REDISTRICTING EMBRACES A
19 VISION THAT THOSE WHO HOLD POWER WILL VOLUNTARILY LOOSEN THEIR
20 GRIP, THAT OTHERS WHO DO NOT MAY GAIN A WAY IN. IN ITS PUREST
21 AND PERHAPS MOST NAIVE FORM, REDISTRICTING IS THE BEAUTIFUL
22 AND SELF-LESS NUB OF OUR DEMOCRACY. THE GARZA CASE WHICH I
23 HELPED LITIGATE TWO DECADES AGO TOLD US THE RULES AND THE
24 RATIONALE OF REDISTRICTING WHEN IT COMES TO RACIAL AND ETHNIC
25 MINORITIES, WHEREAS HERE A PLURALITY OR MAYBE EVEN A MAJORITY.



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1 AS EXPLAINED BY JUDGE KACZYNSKI IN WHAT I CONSIDERED TO BE THE
2 KEY PASSAGE FROM THE DECISION, HERE'S HOW TO LOOK AT IT.
3 HERE'S WHAT JUDGE KACZYNSKI SAID, "THE LAY READER MAY WONDER
4 IF THERE CAN BE INTENTIONAL DISCRIMINATION WITHOUT AN
5 INVIDIOUS MOTIVE. INDEED THERE CAN. A SIMPLE EXAMPLE MAY HELP
6 ILLUSTRATE THE POINT. ASSUME YOU ARE AN ANGLO HOMEOWNER WHO
7 LIVES IN AN ALL WHITE NEIGHBORHOOD. SUPPOSE ALSO THAT YOU
8 HARBOR NO ILL FEELINGS TOWARDS MINORITIES. SUPPOSE FURTHER,
9 HOWEVER, THAT SOME OF YOUR NEIGHBORS PERSUADE YOU THAT HAVING
10 AN INTEGRATED NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD LOWER PROPERTY VALUES AND
11 THAT YOU STAND TO LOSE A LOT OF MONEY ON YOUR HOME. ON THE
12 BASIS OF THAT BELIEF, YOU JOIN A PACK NOT TO SELL YOUR HOUSE
13 TO MINORITIES TO KEEP THE STATUS QUO. HAVE YOU ENGAGED IN
14 INTENTIONAL RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISCRIMINATION? OF COURSE YOU
15 HAVE. YOUR PERSONAL FEELINGS TOWARDS MINORITIES DON'T MATTER;
16 WHAT MATTERS IS THAT YOU INTENTIONALLY TOOK ACTIONS CALCULATED
17 TO KEEP THEM OUT OF YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, TO KEEP THEM OUT OF
18 YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. SO FOR YOU THE QUESTION AS TO HOW TO
19 PROCEED IS PERSONAL AS WELL AS POLITICAL. IF YOU SEE LATINOS
20 AS A VOTING BLOCK THAT COULD THREATEN YOUR INCUMBENCIES, NO
21 MATTER HOW MERITORIOUS YOUR WORK ON BEHALF OF THAT INCUMBENCY,
22 IF THOSE INCUMBENCIES WERE A SIZABLE PERCENTAGE AND ADDED TO
23 YOUR DISTRICT, THEN YOU MUST REDISTRICIT SO AS NOT TO PRESERVE
24 THE STATUS QUO. THAT IS THE MANDATE OF THE CONSTITUTION, AND
25 IT IS THE MANDATE OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I HOPE THAT THIS



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1 COMMUNITY IS SPARED A REPEAT OF THE DIVISIVENESS RESULTING THE
2 LAST TIME AROUND. THE TESTIMONY THAT I HAVE HEARD SO FAR THIS
3 AFTERNOON ON BEHALF OF KEEPING THE STATUS QUO IS A CARBON COPY
4 OF WHAT I HEARD 20 YEARS AGO. THE PROMISE OF REDISTRICTING IS
5 THE PROMISE OF THE AMERICAN DREAM: THAT OUR DEMOCRACY WAS
6 CONSTRUCTED TO GROW AND TO BECOME MORE INCLUSIVE. THANK YOU.
7 [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP CINDY _____ YES,
10 SIR.

11

12 **HECTOR VIAGA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS HECTOR VIAGA AND I'M
13 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE A.C.L.U. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
14 IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT "THOSE DO NOT KNOW THEIR HISTORY ARE
15 DESTINED TO REPEAT IT." YOU'VE JUST HEARD FROM MARK ROSENBAUM
16 OUR CHIEF COUNSEL ABOUT THE LITIGATION OVER THE DILUTION
17 LATINO VOTING STRENGTH THAT RESULTED FROM THIS BOARD'S FAILURE
18 MORE THAN TWO DECADES AGO TO CREATE A MAJORITY LATINO
19 DISTRICT. WE HAVE GRAVE CONCERNS THAT IN FAILING TO CREATE A
20 SECOND MAJORITY LATINO DISTRICT NOW, YOU WILL DILUTE LATINO
21 VOTING STRENGTHS IN MUCH THE SAME WAY. PROVIDING LATINOS WITH
22 LESS OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS AND
23 ELECT REPRESENTATIVES OF THEIR CHOICE. LATINOS REPRESENT
24 NEARLY 50 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY'S POPULATION, 43 PERCENT OF
25 THE COUNTY'S VOTING AGE POPULATION, AND MORE THAN 1/3 OF THE



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1 COUNTY'S POTENTIAL VOTERS. THESE DEMOGRAPHIC AND POLITICAL
2 REALITIES MUST BE REFLECTED AND RESPECTED IN THE DISTRICTS
3 THAT YOU CREATE. ONE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT OUT OF FIVE
4 IGNORES THESE REALITIES AND DISEMPOWERS LATINOS. I'VE READ IN
5 THE PAPERS THAT SOME OPPOSE THE CREATION OF A NEW LATINO
6 MAJORITY DISTRICT ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT WOULD BE DISRUPTIVE
7 TO INCUMBENTS OR THE CONSTITUENTS WHO HAVE GROWN FAMILIAR WITH
8 THEM OVER THE YEARS. WHEN IT COMES TO THESE ARGUMENTS ABOUT
9 INCUMBENTS, POLITICAL EFFECTIVENESS SHOULD NOT BE CONFUSED FOR
10 LEGAL VALIDITY. THESE ARGUMENTS ARE NOT NEW. THEY HAVE BEEN
11 TRIED BEFORE AND THEY HAVE FAILED. I TOOK ANOTHER LOOK AT THE
12 NINTH CIRCUIT'S OPINION IN GARZA LAST NIGHT AND I URGE YOU ALL
13 TO DO THE SAME. I WAS STRUCK BY JUDGE KACZYNSKI'S CONCLUSION
14 THAT QUOTE "PROTECTING INCUMBENCY AND SAFEGUARDING THE VOTING
15 RIGHTS OF MINORITIES ARE PURPOSES OFTEN AT WAR WITH EACH
16 OTHER." I WAS STRUCK, AS WELL, BY JUDGE KACZYNSKI'S
17 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROOF IN GARZA. THE RECORD ESTABLISHED THE
18 INTENTIONAL VOTE DILUTION BECAUSE IT SHOWED A CONTINUING
19 PRACTICE OF SPLITTING THE HISPANIC CORE INTO TWO OR MORE
20 DISTRICTS TO PREVENT THE EMERGENCE OF A STRONG LATINO-
21 PREFERRED CANDIDATE WHO MIGHT PROVIDE MEANINGFUL COMPETITION
22 TO THE INCUMBENT SUPERVISORS. AND, LAST, I WAS STRUCK BY JUDGE
23 KACZYNSKI'S SUMMARY OF THE HISTORICAL IMPORT OF GARZA. HE
24 SAID, QUOTE, "WHEN THE DUST HAS SETTLED, GARZA WILL BE
25 REMEMBERED FOR ITS LUCID DEMONSTRATION THAT ELECTED OFFICIALS



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1 ENGAGED IN THE SINGLE MINDED PURSUIT OF INCUMBENCY CAN RUN
2 ROUGH SHOD OVER THE RIGHTS OF PROTECTED MINORITIES." THE DUST
3 HAS SETTLED. BUT DON'T KICK IT UP AGAIN. DON'T SPLIT THE
4 LATINO COMMUNITY TO PROTECT INCUMBENTS. DON'T GIVE RISE TO
5 YEARS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN LITIGATION ALL JUST TO LEARN
6 THE SAME LESSON ONCE AGAIN. ONCE SHOULD BE ENOUGH. THANK YOU.
7 [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALEX REZA? YES, SIR.

10

11 **ARTURO VARGAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ARTURO VARGAS I'M
12 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF _____ THANK YOU FOR THE
13 OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAR BEFORE YOU TODAY. _____ DID ADVOCATE
14 BEFORE THE BOARD REDISTRICTING COMMISSION FOR A CREATION OF A
15 MAP WITH OF TWO LATINO DISTRICTS. OUR PLEAS WENT UNHEARD. I AM
16 HERE TO CALL UPON THIS BOARD TO APPROVE A MAP THAT IN FACT
17 DOES CREATE TWO LATINO EFFECTIVE DISTRICTS AND CONTINUES TO
18 RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. WE WILL
19 BE SUBMITTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY TO THAT EFFECT. BUT I WOULD
20 LIKE TO REPEAT SOME OF THE TESTIMONY THAT WAS SHARED BY MR.
21 ROSENBAUM AND MR. VILLEGRA ABOUT THE FINDINGS OF THE DISTRICT
22 COURT IN 1990, SPECIFICALLY I'D LIKE TO REMIND THIS BOARD THAT
23 THE COURT FOUND INTENTIONAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LATINO
24 VOTERS AND CANDIDATES IN THE 1959 REDISTRICTING. WITH
25 DISTRICTS CRAFTED IN ORDER TO INCREASE AN INCUMBENT'S CHANCE



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1 TO DEFEAT THE PREFERRED CANDIDATE OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY. THE
2 COURT FOUND THE SAME THING IN THE 1965 REDISTRICTING, THE 1971
3 REDISTRICTING AND THE 1981 REDISTRICTING. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO
4 REMIND THIS BOARD THE STATE LAW DICTATES THAT THE PRIMARY TWO
5 CRITERIA THAT YOU MUST APPLY IN REDISTRICTING ARE: 1, INSURING
6 EQUAL POPULATION AMONG YOUR FIVE DISTRICTS. AND, TWO,
7 COMPLIANCE WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. ALL ELSE IS SECONDARY.
8 THE DATA, CIRCUMSTANCES AND THE LAW ARE CLEAR. MOST
9 SIGNIFICANTLY, THE DATA SHOW THAT UNDER PLAN A-2, LATINO
10 VOTERS ARE ABLE TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE IN ONLY
11 ONE DISTRICT. PLAN S-2 AFFORDS THAT OPPORTUNITY IN TWO
12 DISTRICTS. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO NOTE THAT MUCH OF THE
13 TESTIMONY YOU HAVE HEARD TODAY FROM THE PUBLIC IS ASKING YOU
14 TO SUPPORT A-2 SPECIFICALLY SO THAT YOU MAY CONTINUE TO BE
15 REELECTED. WELL, IT IS GOOD TO HEAR THAT YOU ARE APPRECIATED
16 BY YOUR CONSTITUENTS, YOU ARE IN ESSENCE BEING ASKED TO
17 PROTECT YOUR INCUMBENCIES OVER THE REQUIREMENTS OF LAW. WE
18 APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF GLORIA MOLINA AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
19 FOR MAP S-1 AND WE CALL ON THE REMAINING SUPERVISORS PLEASE DO
20 NOT REPEAT HISTORY AND WE ASK YOU ADOPT THE MAP THAT CREATES
21 TWO EFFECTIVE LATINO DISTRICTS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.



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1 **STEVEN OCHOA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS STEVEN
2 OCHOA. I AM THE NATIONAL REDISTRICTING COORDINATOR FOR THE
3 MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND OR
4 M.A.L.D.E.F. IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO SPEAK TO YOU ON THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS REDISTRICTING PROCESS. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO
6 SPEAK TO YOUR BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE AS THEY WERE CRAFTING
7 THEIR PLANS, AND I AM HERE AGAIN TO REITERATE THE CREATION OF
8 A SECOND LATINO MAJORITY CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION OR
9 C.V.A.P. DISTRICT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. FIRST AS YOU KNOW, A
10 SECOND DISTRICT CAN BE CREATED. M.A.L.D.E.F. SUBMITTED TWO TO
11 THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE PLANS THAT CREATED TWO LATINO
12 MAJORITY DISTRICTS IN A MATTER THAT RESPECTED AFRICAN-AMERICAN
13 AND ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES. THE B.R.C. RECEIVED A TOTAL OF
14 7 EXAMPLES INCLUDING A PLAN FROM THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN
15 REDISTRICTING COLLABORATIVE WHICH WAS THE BASE PLAN FOR PLAN
16 S-1. THESE PROPOSED DISTRICTS WERE DRAWN WITH CONSIDERATION OF
17 MORE THAN JUST LATINO DEMOGRAPHICS AND WERE NOT SO-CALLED
18 RACIAL GERRYMANDERS. OTHER TRADITIONAL PRINCIPLES THAT WERE
19 TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WERE COMPACTNESS, REDUCED CITY SPLITS,
20 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, CONTIGUITY AND VARIOUS SOCIOECONOMIC
21 INFORMATION. SECOND, THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT OR V.R.A.
22 REQUIRES THE CREATION OF A SECOND DISTRICT. UNDER THE RULES OF
23 A V.R.A. IF A DISTRICT CAN BE DRAWN WHERE A MINORITY GROUP IS
24 LARGE AND COMPACT, CONSISTENTLY VOTES TOGETHER AND THE
25 MAJORITY POPULATION AROUND IT CONSISTENTLY VOTES AGAINST THE



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1 MINORITY CANDIDATE OF CHOICE, THE DISTRICT IS REQUIRED TO
2 AVOID MINORITY VOTE DILUTION. A SECOND DISTRICT CAN BE CREATED
3 AND THIS HAS RECEIVED A SUBSTANTIAL REPORT FROM JUSTIN LEVITT
4 AND DR. MATT BARRETO SHOWING THAT RACIALLY POLARIZED VOTING
5 STILL EXISTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIRD, THE INCUMBENT
6 INTERESTS OR AN INTEREST IN A MINIMAL CHANGE REDISTRICTING
7 PLAN THAT HAVE BEEN STATED BY SEVERAL SUPERVISORS AND
8 SUPERVISORIAL REPRESENTATIVES HAS REASONS WHY A SECOND
9 DISTRICT SHOULD NOT BE DRAWN DO NOT OVERRIDE THE COUNTY'S
10 LEGAL OBLIGATION TO THE V.R.A. THE IDEA OF A SECOND LATINO
11 DISTRICT IS NOT A RACIAL GERRYMANDER. RACE IS NOT THE
12 OVERRIDING FACTOR BUT A SUPPLEMENT TO VRA COMPLIANCE
13 CONSIDERATIONS, COMMUNITIES OF INTERESTS, COMPACTNESS, CITY
14 SPLITS AND SOCIOECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS. FURTHER, INCUMBENCY
15 CONSIDERATIONS OF RESIDENCY AND REELECTIBILITY, WE COMMUNITY
16 OF INTEREST TESTIMONY OVER THE SINGLE RELATIONSHIP TO AN
17 INCUMBENT OR THE CONCEPTS OF POPULATION SHIFTS OR VOTER
18 DEFERRALS DO NOT OVERRIDE THE V.R.A. OBLIGATIONS. FINALLY, THE
19 LATINO COMMUNITY STRONGLY DESIRES AND DESERVES A SECOND
20 DISTRICT. LATINOS ARE CURRENTLY 47.7 PERCENT OF L.A. COUNTY'S
21 TOTAL POPULATION WHERE THE CANDIDATES OF CHOICE ONLY ACCOUNT
22 FOR 20 PERCENT OF THE BOARD'S VOTE. IN THE LAST DECADE,
23 LATINOS GREW 10 PERCENT. WHERE THE NONLATINO POPULATION FELL
24 2.8 PERCENT. FURTHERMORE, THE LATINO COMMUNITY GREW
25 SUBSTANTIAL AND POLITICAL INFLUENCE. LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE



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1 POPULATION GREW 28 PERCENT. AND LATINO REGISTRATION GREW 33.5
2 PERCENT FROM 2002 TO 2010 NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTIONS. LATINOS
3 HAVE NOW GROWN IN EFFECTIVE POPULATION WHERE A SECOND DISTRICT
4 IS NOT ONLY DESIRED BUT DESERVED. THIS BODY MUST DRAW A SECOND
5 LATINO DISTRICT. IT'S JUST. IT'S REQUIRED BY LAW. AND THE EVER
6 INCREASING LATINO ELECTORATE DEMANDS AND DESERVES IT. THANK
7 YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO
10 CALL UP VICTOR ACEVEDO AND ALLEN CLAYTON. YES, MA'AM.

11

12 **CINDY PALOMINO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CINDY PALOMINO AND
13 I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE ALLIANCE FOR BETTER COMMUNITY. ON
14 BEHALF OF THE ALLIANCE FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY, WE WOULD LIKE
15 TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE THE S-1 AMMENDMENT MAPS FOR THE
16 L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. ALLIANCE FOR A BETTER
17 COMMUNITY IS A POLICY AND ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS TO
18 PROMOTE EQUITY FOR LATINOS IN THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA. IN
19 THE REGIONS OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
20 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE REDISTRICTING AND
21 THE ADDITION OF AN ADDITIONAL BOARD OF SUPERVISORSIAL SEATS TO
22 PROVIDE MORE EQUITABLE REPRESENTATION FOR THE RESIDENTS OF
23 L.A. COUNTY. CURRENT DISTRICTS DO NOT PROVIDE ADEQUATE
24 REPRESENTATION AND OVERLOOK A HISTORY OF DISENFRANCHISEMENT IN
25 HIGH-DENSITY, HEAVILY POPULATED LATINO COMMUNITIES SUCH AS THE



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1 SOUTHEAST CITIES AND EAST LOS ANGELES. THE MAPS, THE S-1
2 AMENDED MAPS SUBMITTED CREATE AN ADDITIONAL SEAT WHERE THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COULD BE ELECTED TO REPRESENT THE NEEDS
4 OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY; WE STRONGLY URGE THE BOARD TO ADOPT
5 THESE RECOMMENDED MAPS. SINCE 2008, A.B.C. HAS WORKED TO
6 SUPPORT FAMILIES IN SOUTHEAST CITIES BY COMBINING THE
7 SOUTHEAST CITIES EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION TASKFORCE. A.B.C.
8 BEGAN ITS WORK IN THE SOUTHEAST CITIES OF BELL, BELL GARDENS,
9 CUDAHY, HUNTINGTON PARK, MAYWOOD, AND VERNON. BECAUSE THIS
10 REGION IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST NEED REGIONS IN LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY WITH ONLY 4,065 CHILDCARE SPACES TO SERVE 33,262
12 CHILDREN FROM 0 TO FIVE YEARS OLD. THROUGH THIS TASKFORCE
13 A.B.C. ENGAGES E.C.E. PROVIDERS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS,
14 PARENTS, AND LOCAL AGENCIES TO SERVE THIS POPULATION AND TO
15 INCREASE HIGH QUALITY EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES
16 IN THE SOUTHEAST. APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATION IS ESSENTIAL FOR
17 THESE EFFORTS TO GAIN MOMENTUM AND ACHIEVE SUCCESS ON BEHALF
18 OF THE SOUTHEAST RESIDENTS. AN ADDITIONAL SEAT WOULD GIVE
19 VOICE TO LATINO COMMUNITY IN THIS REGION THUS INSURING THAT
20 THEIR CHALLENGES AND SUCCESSES ARE HEARD BY A BROADER
21 AUDIENCE. BY REDRAWING DISTRICT LINES AS PROPOSED BY THE S-1
22 AMENDED MAPS AND ADDING AN ADDITIONAL SEAT, THE SOUTHEAST
23 REGION CAN GAIN MORE EQUITABLE REPRESENTATION. WITHOUT THIS
24 CHANGE, THE COMMISSION MAY VIRTUALLY ERASE RECENT POLITICAL
25 GAINS FOR THE AREA AND CONTINUE TO DISENFRANCHISE THESE



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1 COMMUNITIES BY PACKING AND OVERSATURATING LATINOS IN ONE
2 DISTRICT. LATINO'S GROWTH OVER TIME DESERVES EQUAL
3 REPRESENTATION. A.B.C. STRONGLY URGES YOU TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT
4 FOR THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND PROVIDE OUR
5 COMMUNITIES WITH PROPER REPRESENTATION THEY NEED AND DESERVE.
6 THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARY
9 HAMMER OR HAMMER? YES, SIR.

10

11 **ALEX:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ALEX _____, I TAUGHT AT
12 SAN FERNANDO HIGH SCHOOL FROM 1968 UNTIL 2002. I'M ALSO A
13 MEMBER OF THE CESAR CHAVEZ COMMEMORATIVE COMMITTEE. I WANT TO
14 TAKE MY OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION TO SUPERVISOR
15 YAROSLAVSKY FOR MANY YEARS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I'M VERY
16 CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF OUR COUNTY AND OUR STATE AND OUR
17 NATION. AND ONE OF MY MAIN CONCERNS IS THERE'S A LOT OF TALENT
18 WITHIN THE LATINO COMMUNITY. A LOT OF IT IS BEING
19 UNDERUTILIZED AND YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY WITH A REDISTRICTING
20 PROCESS TO ADD AN ELEMENT OF LEADERSHIP, AUTHENTIC, HOME GROWN
21 LEADERSHIP THAT UNDERSTANDS THE COMMUNITY, IS COMMITTED TO THE
22 COMMUNITY, AND WILL MAXIMIZE THE TALENT THAT LIES WITHIN THE
23 LATINO COMMUNITY. I SEE A LOT OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE
24 TREMENDOUS POTENTIAL BUT HAVE VERY LITTLE OPPORTUNITY. SO I'M
25 HERE TO SUPPORT THE SECOND MAJORITY LATINO DISTRICT. I'D LIKE



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1 TO BRIEFLY REFER TO THE BOARD MAP. IT INCLUDES PACOIMA AN WITH
2 A 49,000 INCOME WITH WEST HILLS, WHICH HAS AN INCOME OF OVER
3 100,000 AVERAGE. TO ME THAT IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE BOARD PLAN
4 BEING A STATUS QUO WHICH WILL SET THE COMMUNITY BACK AND
5 RECOGNIZING THE NEW REALITY IS ALWAYS A CHALLENGE FOR OUR
6 POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS. AND THE NEW POLITICAL REALITY IS THE
7 INCREASING LATINO COMMUNITY. AND COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP IS
8 NEEDED. ONE OF THE SPEAKERS BEFORE SAID WE CREATE MINIMAL
9 CHANGE. WE DON'T NEED MINIMAL CHANGE. WE NEED RADICAL IN SOME
10 WAYS CHANGE. AND THAT'S WHAT YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO BY
11 CREATING A SECOND LATINO MAJORITY DISTRICT. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR. THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO IS
14 TAYLOR-- OKAY. HE HAD TO GO. TONYA JUAREZ? MARCO ROBLES? SHERI
15 SCHRIER? YES, SIR.

16

17 **VICTOR ACEVEDO:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS VICTOR ACEVEDO I'M
18 THE CURRENT PRESIDENT OF THE MEXICAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION,
19 THE MEXICAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
20 STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE ADOPTION OF REDISTRICTING PLAN S-1 THAT
21 CONTAINS TWO LATINO MAJORITY DISTRICTS. THIS POSITION IS BASED
22 ON THE RECENT RELEASE OF CENSUS DATA SHOWING THAT LATINOS
23 REPRESENT 65 PERCENT OF THE OVERALL GROWTH IN LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY. IN FACT, IN THE PAST 10 YEARS, THE LATINO POPULATION
25 IN L.A. COUNTY HAS GROWN BY APPROXIMATELY 445,000 WHEREAS THE



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1 ENTIRE NONLATINO COUNTY POPULATION ONLY GREW BY APPROXIMATELY
2 300,000. BECAUSE OF THE CLEAR UNDENIABLE GROWTH OF ITS LATINO
3 POPULATION, LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUST BE VIGILANT IN ADOPTING A
4 PLAN THAT AVOIDS THE WRONGS OF THE NOT TOO DISTANT PAST. IN
5 THE GARZA LITIGATION THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT JUDGE MADE THREE
6 VERY IMPORTANT FINDINGS THAT I'D LIKE TO REMIND THE BOARD THIS
7 AFTERNOON. ONE, THE CONTINUED FRAGMENTATION OF THE HISPANIC
8 VOTE WAS A REASONABLY FORESEEABLE CONSEQUENCE OF THE ADOPTION
9 OF THE 1981 PLAN. TWO, THE COURT FOUND THAT DURING THE 1981
10 REDISTRICTING PROCESS, THE SUPERVISORS KNEW THAT THE
11 PROTECTION OF THEIR FIVE ANGLO INCUMBENCIES WAS INEXTRICABLY
12 LINKED TO THE CONTINUED FRAGMENTATION OF THE LATINO CORE. AND,
13 THREE, THE SUPERVISORS APPEAR TO HAVE ACTED PRIMARILY ON THEIR
14 POLITICAL INSTINCT OF SELF-PRESERVATION. THE COURT FOUND,
15 HOWEVER, THAT THE SUPERVISORS ALSO INTENDED WHAT THEY KNEW TO
16 BE THE LIKELY RESULT OF THEIR ACTIONS AND THEIR PREREQUISITES
17 TO SELF-PRESERVATION, THE CONTINUED FRAGMENTATION OF THE
18 HISPANIC CORE AND THE DILUTION OF HISPANIC VOTING STRENGTH.
19 THESE FINDINGS WERE LATER UPHELD BY THE NINTH CIRCUIT. IN FACT
20 THE NINTH CIRCUIT RECOGNIZED THAT AFTER THE 1982 AMENDMENT,
21 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT CAN BE VIOLATED BY BOTH INTENTIONAL
22 DISCRIMINATION IN THE DRAWING OF DISTRICT LINES AND FACIALLY
23 NEUTRAL APPORTIONMENT SCHEMES THAT HAVE THE EFFECT OF DILUTING
24 MINORITY VOTES. THE DATA BEFORE THIS BOARD CONFIRMS THAT
25 LATINO POPULATION CORES ARE BEING FRAGMENTED BETWEEN



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1 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION. THEREFORE, TO
2 PREVENT FURTHER DILUTION FOR THE GROWING NUMBER OF LATINOS,
3 SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT REQUIRES THAT L.A. COUNTY
4 ADOPT A PLAN THAT CORRECTS RATHER THAN CONTINUES THAT HISTORIC
5 FRAGMENTATION. ADOPTING SUCH A PLAN IS NOT ONLY NECESSARY BUT
6 PROPER. THE DELIBERATE CONSTRUCTION OF MINORITY-CONTROLLED
7 VOTING DISTRICTS IS EXACTLY WHAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
8 AUTHORIZES. SUCH DISTRICTING, WHETHER WORKED BY A COURT OR BY
9 A POLITICAL ENTITY IN THE FIRST INSTANCE DOES NOT VIOLATE THE
10 CONSTITUTION. ON BEHALF OF OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS, M.A.B.A.
11 STRONGLY URGES THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO FOLLOW THE LAW AND
12 TO ADOPT THE PLAN WITH TWO LATINO MAJORITY DISTRICTS, PLAN S-
13 1. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP GABBY
16 BRADLEY. GABBY BRADLEY? MATT COBBLE? SOPHIA MERITO? MARCELLA
17 ORTIZ? CORINNA DUANNIS? NADIA PADILLA? JUSTIN JARKEEN? ADRIAN
18 AN CASTRO? LORETTA SAN RODRIGUEZ? LORENA? LORETTA RODRIGUEZ?
19 MELBA TORRES? BRANDY HEARTSELL? MICHELLE MEINDL? MARIA GARCIA?
20 LEONNA GUZMAN? JULIE TILLMAN? VERONICA GARCIA? MARIA PEDROZA?
21 OVAN DILLARD? CHRISTY NINEGAR? NANCY LEDISMA? VICTOR CASTRO
22 JUNG-- DRAJON? ROBERTO MONTANO? JESSE ALMIREZ? ANDREW
23 ESQUEVEZ, LUPE TRUJILLO? ALICIA CAREA? LORETTA AUTISTITIA?
24 ANGELINA GARCIA? ROSA FUENTES? CARL SALAZAR? JULIO CAESAR
25 SANCHEZ? ANNA TORA, COURTNEY COUNCIL? JASON ROACH AN? LOUIS



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1 PESINO? DAVID MALCOLM? MICHELLE SANCHEZ? WE HAVE ONE. OKAY.

2 YOU'RE NEXT.

3

4 **ALAN CLAYTON:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. MY NAME IS ALAN CLAYTON.

5 I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN REDISTRICTING BEFORE THE BOARD OF

6 SUPERVISORS ACTUALLY GOING BACK INTO THE 80S. AND I APPEARED

7 BEFORE THE BOARD BOTH ON EXPANSION AND ALSO '91, 2001 AND NOW

8 2011. I TESTIFIED BEFORE EVERY MEETING OF THE BOUNDARY

9 COMMISSION EXCEPT ONE WHERE I WAS INVOLVED IN STATE

10 REDISTRICTING. I CONSISTENTLY POINTED OUT THAT THERE'S A MAJOR

11 ISSUE HERE OF PACKING. THAT YOU HAVE DISTRICT ONE IS PACKED

12 CLEARLY IN TERMS OF LATINO NUMBERS WHERE YOU COULD CREATE TWO

13 ALTERNATIVE DISTRICTS. I DREW TWO PLANS THAT CREATED TWO

14 ALTERNATIVE DISTRICTS. I FULLY SUPPORT THE S-1 AFRICAN-

15 AMERICAN PLAN. I THINK IT'S AN EXCELLENT PLAN THAT MEETS THE

16 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. IT ALSO PRESERVES DISTRICT 2 IN TERMS OF IF

17 YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBERS, THE CURRENT NUMBERS ARE 36.5. IT IS

18 36.5 PERCENT. AND THE KEY THING HERE, I THINK, IS THAT YOU'VE

19 GOT A SITUATION WHERE YOU'RE ENGAGED IN INCUMBENT PROTECTION.

20 ONE POINT I WANTED TO MAKE THAT'S AN IMPORTANT ONE IS IF YOU

21 LOOK AT THE REAL NUMBERS IN DISTRICT 4, WHICH IS WHAT I LOOK

22 AT BECAUSE I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN PARTISAN CAMPAIGNS, BEEN

23 INVOLVED IN STATE REDISTRICTING, THE SPANISH SURNAME VOTER

24 REGISTRATION IS 28.1 PERCENT. IN THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN MAP,

25 IT'S 48.4 PERCENT. THE WHITE REGISTRATION IS OVER 50 PERCENT



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1 IN DISTRICT 4. BARRETO'S REPORT CONCLUSIVELY SHOWS THERE IS
2 POLARIZED VOTING. THE WAY THAT THE COURTS LOOK AT IT
3 ESPECIALLY IN THE NINTH CIRCUIT IS THEY LOOK AT THE ELECTIONS
4 MOST CLOSELY THAT ARE MINORITY VERSUS NONMINORITY ELECTIONS.
5 AND I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S A COMPELLING NEED TO PAY ATTENTION
6 TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT HERE. YOU OPEN YOURSELF UP FOR
7 LITIGATION. I BELIEVE THERE IS A CASE. AND THERE'S A STRONG
8 CASE BOTH ON MEETING THE GINGLES 3 CASE AND THEN IT'S CALLED
9 THE TOTALITY TEST. I DON'T BASE THIS ON THEORY. BECAUSE I
10 HAVEN'T SEEN ANY FACTUAL DATA FROM THE COUNTY REFUTING THE
11 BARRETO REPORT. I WENT OVER TODAY AND ASKED FOR ALL THE
12 DOCUMENTS. THERE'S NO DOCUMENT THERE. THERE'S A TWO-PAGE
13 DOCUMENT. BUT WHERE'S THE BASIS? IT WOULD BE NICE IF YOU
14 SHOWED SOME FACTUAL. THERE'S ARGUMENTS THAT, WELL, THERE'S NO
15 PROOF. WELL, THERE IS PROOF. BARRETO'S REPORT CONCLUSIVELY
16 SHOWS THAT THERE IS POLARIZED VOTING. BARRETO WAS THE EXPERT
17 RETAINED BUY THE STATE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. AND IN THEIR
18 LEGAL TEAM, THEIR OPINION OF THE LAW FIRM WAS THAT IN L.A.
19 COUNTY THERE ARE VOTING RIGHTS ISSUES FOR LATINOS AND WE HAVE
20 TO PAY ATTENTION TO THEM. SO I THINK TO IGNORE A BODY OF THE
21 STATE REDISTRICTING IGNORE WHAT THEIR EXPERTS SAID, IGNORE
22 WHAT THEIR LAW FIRMS SAID IS AT YOUR OWN PERIL. NOW, BACK IN
23 '90, YOU SPENT OVER 6 MILLION DOLLARS IN HIRING SEVEN LAW
24 FIRMS TO DEFEND WHAT WAS ILLEGAL. IT WAS FOUND TO BE
25 INTENTIONAL. AND YOU HAD TO PAY THE PLAINTIFFS, I BELIEVE, OVER



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1 6 MILLION. NOW, THAT'S 12 MILLION BACK IN 1990 BECAUSE PEOPLE
2 ASKED: WHY DIDN'T ANYBODY SUE LAST TIME? WELL, IT'S CALLED
3 MONEY. BUT I CAN TELL YOU, I WAS THERE IN 2001 AND TESTIFIED
4 EXTENSIVELY. AND THE CASE IS STRONGER NOW THAN IT WAS IN 2001.
5 THE FACTS ARE STRONGER. AND I THINK THERE'S A VERY COMPELLING
6 CASE. AND I THINK THAT YOU REALLY NEED TO PAY ATTENTION. I
7 THINK THE KEY THING IS THINK ABOUT IT VERY CAREFULLY. DO NOT
8 MISSUSE TAXPAYER DOLLARS. IF YOU LOOK AT THE SITUATION IN
9 WASHINGTON, THE SITUATION AT THE STATE. WE HAVE REAL PROBLEMS
10 WITH L.A. COUNTY. AND I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN SACRAMENTO IN THE
11 PAST TRYING TO GET RESOURCES. IT'S A TOUGH TIME. TO SPEND
12 MONEY ON LITIGATION TO PROTECT THE UNPROTECTIBLE, TO BASICALLY
13 KEEP INCUMBENTS IN POWER AND VIOLATE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
14 LIKE YOU DID BACK IN 1990 WHICH THE COURT FOUND YOU
15 INTENTIONALLY VIOLATED IT GOING BACK TO THE '59 ELECTION WHICH
16 MANY PEOPLE BELIEVE ED ROYBAL HE WAS BASICALLY TREATED
17 UNFAIRLY. WELL, IT WENT ALL THE WAY TO THE LAST TIME WHERE YOU
18 WERE FOUND TO HAVE BASICALLY CRACKED THE LATINO COMMUNITY.
19 WHERE YOU COULD HAVE DRAWN A SEAT AT THE TIME IT WAS 44 TO 46
20 PERCENT SPANISH SURNAME REGISTRATION, YOU DO TWO 23 PERCENT
21 SEATS. NOW YOU'RE PACKING. AND IT'S NOT NEW TO THE RECORD. IF
22 YOU GO BACK AND LOOK AT THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION, I TESTIFIED
23 ON IT EXTENSIVELY. EVERY TIME I GOT AN OPPORTUNITY. I THINK
24 YOU NEED TO BE PRUDENT WITH TAXPAYER DOLLARS. YOU NEED TO PAY
25 ATTENTION AND LOOK SERIOUSLY AT THIS. THE OTHER POINT, I DO



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1 LIVE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND FACTIONED INTO THREE IT'S
2 VERY TOUGH TO GET SOMETIMES THE FOCUS WE NEED. I REMEMBER WHEN
3 WE WANTED A COUNTY HOSPITAL OUT THERE, WE DIDN'T GET IT. I
4 REMEMBER A NUMBER OF OTHER BATTLES THAT WE'VE HAD OVER THE
5 YEARS. NOW I BELIEVE THAT DON KNABE'S BEEN A FINE SUPERVISOR.
6 AND HE'S A VERY GOOD PERSON. I BELIEVE THE BOARD MEMBERS, I
7 WORK WITH THEIR OFFICES BEFORE. AND THEY'RE APPROACHABLE. THE
8 ISSUE IS NOT PERSONAL HERE. THE ISSUE IS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
9 AND COMPLIANCE. THE ISSUE IS NOT FRAGMENTING THE LATINO
10 COMMUNITY OR NOT PACKING THE LATINO COMMUNITY. IN THIS CASE
11 YOU'RE PACKING AND YOU COULD DRAW A REASONABLY COMPACT SEAT IN
12 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHERE THE MAJORITY OF VOTERS WOULD BE
13 FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND THEN YOU COULD DRAW A SEAT
14 THAT GOES FROM THE BASICALLY THE SOUTHEAST CITIES UP THROUGH
15 THE LOS ANGELES AREA OVER THROUGH BURBANK AND UP TO SYLMAR.
16 NOW, HAS THIS BEEN DONE BEFORE? I WAS INVOLVED IN, AND ZEV
17 PROBABLY REMEMBERS THIS. I WAS INVOLVED IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
18 REDISTRICTING. I DREW VICKI CASTRO'S SEAT. I KNOW YOU WERE
19 AROUND THEN. AND THE SEAT THAT I DREW WAS ADOPTED IF YOU
20 REMEMBER. AND THERE WAS NO LITIGATION. IN 2001, I WAS THE
21 FIRST ONE TO TAKE DISTRICT 6 AND PUT IT IN THE SAN FERNANDO
22 VALLEY. THAT SEAT WAS ADOPTED. WHO'S THERE RIGHT NOW? TONY
23 CARDENAS. IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WE DREW A SEAT, WHO IS THERE
24 RIGHT NOW? THIS IS THE LAST ROUND OF REDISTRICTING FOR THE
25 SCHOOL BOARD, NURY MARTINEZ. THEY VOLUNTARILY MET THE VOTING



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1 RIGHTS ACT BY DRAWING SEATS THAT COULD BE DRAWN BASED ON
2 CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS. THE CARDENAS SEAT WAS IN THE NORTH
3 FERNANDO VALLEY. THE NURY MARTINEZ SEAT WAS IN THE NORTH SAN
4 FERNANDO VALLEY. THIS IS NOT BRAND NEW. THIS HAS BEEN AROUND A
5 LONG TIME. DO YOU REMEMBER LETECIA CASADA'S SEAT IN THE OLD
6 DAYS WENT OUT INTO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I WAS THERE IN
7 THOSE DAYS BECAUSE WE CREATED TWO SEATS. I'M NOT NEW TO
8 THISPROCESS. REMEMBER WHEN WE DID L.A.F.C.O.? I DREW THE MAP
9 THAT WAS ADOPTED BY L.A.F.C.O. TWO MAPS WERE FOUND TO BE LEGAL
10 BUY COUNTY COUNSEL, MY MAP AND THE MAP OF THE EXPORTS BY
11 L.A.F.C.O. AND THE L.A.F.C.O. BOARD VOTED TO PUT THAT BACK ON
12 THE BALLOT. PEOPLE RUN UNDER THAT. THEY EITHER WON OR LOST.
13 AND THEN THE ELECTION WAS NULL AND VOID BECAUSE THE MAJORITY
14 OF VOTERS IN THE CITY OF L.A. AND THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
15 DIDN'T VOTE FOR IT. BUT WE WERE ABLE TO WORK OUT AN AGREEMENT
16 TO GET VOTING RIGHTS SEATS. PLEASE DON'T DO WHAT THE CITY WAS
17 WISE ENOUGH TO AVOID. THE CITY WAS WISE ENOUGH TO RESOLVE IT
18 AMICABLY IN TERMS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND CREATION OF
19 DISTRICT 6. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ALSO RESOLVED IT TWICE, THE
20 CREATION OF A SEAT THAT VICKI CASTRO WON AND THE CREATION OF A
21 SEAT THAT NURI MARTINEZ WON. SO PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING AND
22 PLEASE THINK ABOUT IT. I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR TIME.
23



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ANTONIO
2 LA MELEE? BETSY CHEEK. MONICA WISEBROOK. ANTONIA CABRELO.
3 PATTI MAGDALENEO. DORA REYES. JENNIFER LOPEZ.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** J-LO?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. YOU'RE ON.

8

9 **SHERI SCHRIER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SHERI SCHRIER. AND I
10 AM FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS. I AM THE DIRECTOR OF THE NONPROFIT
11 ORGANIZATION CALLED HAPPY HATS FOR KIDS IN HOSPITALS. MR.
12 KNABE HAS SO WONDERFULLY SUPPORTED OUR CAUSE. AND WE ARE THE
13 ONLY NONPROFIT IN THE COUNTRY THAT HAS A BILINGUAL PROGRAM FOR
14 ALL THE CHILDREN IN THE HOSPITALS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND
15 ESPECIALLY HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MR. KNABE HAS SUPPORTED
16 OUR NONPROFIT, AND I HAVE PERSONALLY SEEN HIM GIVE HIS HEART
17 TO ALL THESE SICK AND DYING CHILDREN AND I REALLY SUPPORT, MY
18 ORGANIZATION SUPPORTS THE A-2 PLAN. AND I WOULDN'T WANT TO SEE
19 ANYTHING DIVIDED. I WOULDN'T WANT TO SEE MR. KNABE'S HEART
20 DIVIDED OR OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVIDED. THANK YOU VERY
21 MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
24 JACQUELINE DUPONT-- SHE ALREADY SPOKE. LEON JENKINS? LEON
25 JENKINS? DR. CLAVREUL? DR. CLAVREUL? YES, SIR.



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2 **MARCO ROBLES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARCO ROBLES. I WAS

3 BORN AND RAISED ABOUT FIVE MILES FROM HERE, I GREW UP IN

4 LINCOLN HEIGHTS. I SPENT ALL MY SCHOOL YEARS THERE. AND MY

5 GRANDPARENTS CAME HERE AT THE TURN OF THE 1900S FROM MEXICO.

6 MY FATHER CAME HERE FROM GUATEMALA IN THE EARLY 40S. SO I HAVE

7 A LOT OF BACKGROUND IN THIS AREA. ONE THING WHEN I WENT INTO

8 THE MARINE CORPS IN THE MID '60S, I LEARNED THAT I HAVE TO

9 LOOK AT PEOPLE IN A DIFFERENT MANNER. I HAD A LOT OF FUN WHEN

10 IT CAME TO SCHOOL AND GROWING UP IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD HERE. WE

11 HAD A VERY DIVERSE ENVIRONMENT WHEN IT CAME TO PEOPLE BOTH

12 ANGLO OF COURSE, ASIAN BECAUSE OF CHINATOWN AND OF COURSE

13 HISPANIC. AND YET WHEN I WENT INTO THE SERVICE, I SAW A GREAT

14 DEAL OF DIVISION THERE. IT WAS VERY SURPRISING TO ME BECAUSE I

15 WAS FORTUNATE IN THAT I GREW UP WITH A LOT OF MIXTURE OF

16 FOLKS. AND AS I CAME BACK FROM THE SERVICE, MARRIED MY WIFE

17 WHO GREW UP IN CITY TERRACE AND PICO RIVERA, SHE ALSO SEEMED

18 TO FOR WHATEVER REASON EXPERIENCE SIMILAR THINGS THAT I DID AS

19 I WAS GROWING UP. WE MARRIED, WENT TO MONTEREY PARK AND ALSO

20 SAW MORE ASIAN COMMUNITY THERE. BUT OF COURSE WE WERE CLOSE TO

21 EAST LOS ANGELES. ONE THING THAT I STARTED THAT SHE AND I HAVE

22 BOTH CONCLUDED ACTUALLY OVER THE YEARS, IT'S NOT WHERE YOU

23 LIVE BUT IT'S WHAT'S IN YOUR HEART. UNLESS YOU START LOOKING A

24 LITTLE DEEPER AT THE PEOPLE AND WHAT THEY BRING TO THE TABLE:

25 THEIR HONESTY, THEIR INTEGRITY AND THEIR ABILITY TO DEAL WITH



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1 DIVERSE ENVIRONMENTS AND BACKGROUNDS. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
2 I'VE DONE OVER THE LAST MAYBE APPROXIMATELY APPROACHING 10
3 YEARS IS GET BACK INVOLVED WITH MY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI
4 ASSOCIATION. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I'VE SEEN AS FAR AS THE
5 STUDENTS THAT ARE CONCERNED IS THAT THEY ARE VERY SHELTERED.
6 THEY'RE NOT EXPOSED TO THE OUTSIDE ENVIRONMENT. THEY SEEM TO
7 HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS WHEN IT COMES TO THEY FINALLY FIND OUT
8 THAT I DON'T LIVE IN THE AREA. I LIVE IN ROLAND HEIGHTS NOW
9 FOR THE LAST 33 YEARS IN A VERY DIVERSE AREA AS FAR AS I'M
10 CONCERNED. AND I SHARE WITH THESE KIDS WHAT I EXPERIENCED OVER
11 MY YEARS. AND ONE OF THE THINGS, THEY'RE VERY INQUISITIVE. AND
12 THEY NEED TO SEE DIVERSITY. THEY DON'T NEED TO SEE AN
13 ENVIRONMENT WHERE ALL THEY DO IS SPIRAL INTO THEMSELVES OVER
14 AND OVER AGAIN. AND THAT'S WHAT I SEE WITH THIS S-1 PLAN. THE
15 A-2 PLAN UNDER DON KNABE AND I MUST ALSO ADD THAT FOR THE LAST
16 20 SOME YEARS I DEALT HEAVILY WITH THE COUNTY AS A PROVIDER I
17 DIDN'T ALWAYS AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE AND HIS DECISIONS
18 RELATIVE TO MY OWN BUSINESS AND WHAT WAS GOING ON BUT ONE
19 THING I HAVE LEARNED IN LIVING IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND
20 EXPERIENCING THE SUPERVISOR IN HIS ACTIONS AND HIS STAFF IS
21 THAT THEY HAVE OPENED UP THINGS TO ANYONE AND EVERYONE THAT
22 WANTS TO PARTICIPATE.

23
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.



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1 **MARCO ROBLES:** I'D LIKE TO END BY SAYING THAT I FEEL THAT I
2 OUGHT TO BE CALLING HIM "DON" KNABE HE IN THAT HISPANIC TERM,
3 OF COURSE.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE CALL HIM WORSE. [LAUGHTER.]
6 [APPLAUSE.] YES, MA'AM.

7

8 **MONICA WISEBRICH:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS MONICA WISEBRICH
9 AND IM A NATIVE ANGELINO, REGISTERED NURSE WHO'S LIVED IN
10 WESTCHESTER CALIFORNIA FOR 40 PLUS YEARS. I'M HERE TODAY TO
11 SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED REDISTRICTING A-2. ALTHOUGH
12 IT IS NOT PERFECT FOR WESTCHESTER, PRESENTLY IT IS QUITE
13 WORKABLE. WE IN WESTCHESTER ARE THE POSTER CHILD FOR
14 GERRYMANDERING OF A DISTRICT. WE HAVE TWO OFFICES FOR OUR
15 FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES. WE HAVE TWO OFFICES FOR OUR STATE
16 REPRESENTATIVES. TWO WE HAVE TWO OFFICES FOR OUR COUNTY
17 SUPERVISORS. ONLY OUR CITY COUNCIL HAS BEEN ABLE TO REPRESENT
18 US WITH ONE PERSON. ALTERNATE PLAN A-2 PROPOSAL WILL BRING
19 WESTCHESTER INTO A MORE FOCUSED, LESS FRAGMENTED COMMUNITY
20 WITH THE LEAST DISRUPTION. THANK YOU.

21

22 **DAVID MALKIN:** MY NAME IS DAVID MALKIN. I'M FROM ROWLAND
23 HEIGHTS AND I HAD A PLANNED SPEECH HERE I WANT TO SPEAK FROM
24 MY HEART RATHER THAN GO FROM WHAT I HAD TYPED OUT.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

2

3 **DAVID MALKIN:** AFTER LISTENING TO THE ATTORNEYS AND LISTENING
4 TO THE ELECTED OFFICIALS THAT SPOKE EARLIER IN THE MORNING,
5 I'M SPEAKING AS A RESIDENT THAT RECEIVES THE SERVICES FROM THE
6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND WHAT I'VE HEARD HERE SITTING HERE
7 TODAY IS I EXPECTED RALPH EDWARDS TO COME OUT OF ONE OF THE
8 DOORS TO SAY "THIS IS YOUR LIFE, SUPERVISOR DON KNABE." I'VE
9 SEEN A WIDE RANGE OF PEOPLE COME HERE FROM ALL ETHNICITIES AND
10 THEY'VE ALL TALKED AND SPOKEN HIGHLY ABOUT WHAT SUPERVISOR DON
11 KNABE HAS DONE FOR THEM INDIVIDUALLY AND HAS DONE FOR THEM AS
12 GROUPS, INCLUDING ONE INDIVIDUAL THAT NEEDED AN INTERPRETER IN
13 ORDER TO SPEAK TO YOU. I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE WHEN I LISTEN
14 TO THESE ATTORNEYS GET INTO THE MINUTIA, AND THEY LOSE TRACK
15 OF THE BIGGER PICTURE, AND WHAT I'M HERE TO SAY THE DON KNABE
16 HAS REPRESENTED ALL ETHNICITIES, HE'S REPRESENTED ALL PEOPLE,
17 REGARDLESS OF THEIR CULTURE, THEIR BACKGROUND, THEIR AGE,
18 WHERE THEY CAME FROM. AND I DO NOT FEEL THAT YOU NEED TO BE OF
19 A CERTAIN ETHNICITY TO REPRESENT THAT ETHNICITY. IF WE WOULD
20 TAKE WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY AND GO BACK AND LOOK AT THE
21 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, WE WOULD NOT HAVE AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN
22 AS PRESIDENT TODAY. AND I THINK WE NEED TO STEP FORWARD AND
23 COME INTO THE CURRENT AGE. IN 1973, I DID A REPORT FOR UCLA IN
24 BELVEDERE JUNIOR HIGH AND CITY TERRACE AND WE INTERVIEWED THE
25 KIDS THAT WERE GOING TO BELVEDERE JUNIOR HIGH AS TO WHAT THEY



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1 WANTED TO BECOME WHEN THEY GREW UP. MAJORITY OF THE KIDS, IF
2 NOT ALL OF THEM, WANTED TO BECOME WHAT THEY SAW WITHIN THEIR
3 COMMUNITY. THEY DID NOT ASPIRE TO BECOME DOCTORS, DENTISTS,
4 LAWYERS, OR POLITICIANS BECUASE THEY DID NOT SEE THAT IN THEIR
5 COMMUNITIES. WE RECOMMENDED THAT THEY HAVE CAREER DAYS THAT
6 YOU BRING PEOPLE IN THAT YOU COULD SEE OTHER HISPANICS THAT
7 HAVE GONE AND SUCCEEDED IN THOSE OCCUPATIONS. WHAT YOU'RE
8 DOING WITH S-1 IS YOU'RE GOING BACK TO THE '70S AND YOU'RE
9 ENCAPSULATING THOSE CHILDREN INTO AN AREA WHERE THEY WILL NOT
10 SEE THE POTENTIAL FOR GROWTH. A-2 DOES NOT DO THAT AND I
11 SUPPORT A-2 AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL SUPPORT IT FOR THE
12 CHILDREN THAT LIVE IN THIS COMMUNITIES.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, DR. GENEVIEVE
15 CLAUVREUL. FIRST OF ALL I WANT TO TOTALLY SUPPORT WHAT MR.
16 ALAN CLAYTON SAID ABOUT THE EXPANSION OF THE BOARD. I HAVE
17 BEEN ONE OF THOSE SERVANTS OF THAT. I THINK AS WE ARE LOOKING
18 AT REDISTRICTING IT'S CERTAINLY A TIME WE WE SHOULD REALLY
19 LOOKING AT THE EXPANSION OF THE BOARD, AND AND I THINK THAT
20 WHAT'S GOING ON NOW SHOWS THAT IT'S NOT ENOUGH REPRESENTATION
21 OF THE BOARD AND I AM NOT TALKING ABOUT LATINO, BLACK OR
22 WHATEVER BUT REPRESENTATION IN GENERAL. AND WHEN YOU ARE
23 TALKING ABOUT DIFFERENT DISTRICTS, MR. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDELY-
24 THOMAS IS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE LATINO POPULATION GROUP. YOU
25 KNOW I THINK WE NEED TO STOP LABELING PEOPLE BY THE COLOR OF



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1 THEIR SKIN, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO GET PEOPLE WHO WILL
2 BEHAVE IN A WAY WHO SUPPORT ALL THE COMMUNITY AND STOPPING
3 THAT. I THINK WE NEED TO REDISTRICIT BUT I THINK WE NEED TO
4 EXPAND THE BOARD MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE. AND I THINK WE NEED
5 TO GO TO AT LEAST NINE OR 11 AND I THINK THAT'S ONE THING WE
6 NEED TO PURSUE.

7

8 **DAVID SERRANO:** JESUS IS LORD, AMEN. VIVA JESUS CRISTO, AMEN.
9 PRAISE THE LORD, AMEN. AT THIS TIME, REDISTRICITING IS
10 UNNECESSARY. I THINK THAT THE DISTRICTS SHOULD BE KEPT THE WAY
11 THEY ARE. IT IS UNNECESSARY TO REDISTRICIT AT THIS TIME. THERE
12 IS GOOD REPRESENTATION AND REDISTRICITING IS UNNECESSARY AT
13 THIS TIME. IN THE HOLY BIBLE THE APOCALYPSE PROPHECIED AN
14 UNPRECEDENTED CATAclySMIC EARTHQUAKE WILL HAPPEN ON THE SAN
15 ANDREAS FAULT IN THE MONTH OF MAY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TALK ON REAPPORTIONMENT. YOU SIGNED UP
18 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THAT CAN BE MADE UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT BUT
19 RIGHT NOW WE ARE REAPPORTIONMENT.

20

21 **DAVID SERRANO:** PEOPLE ARE WORRIED ABOUT REDISTRICITING BUT
22 AFTER THE TWO APOCALYPTIC EARTHQUAKES HAPPEN ON THE SAN
23 ANDREAS FAULT IN THE MONTH OF MAY DESTROYING MALIBU, PACIFIC
24 PALISADES, HOLLYWOOD HILLS, MOUNT VERDUGO AND MOUNT
25 WASHINGTON, THERE'S GOING TO BE THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF



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1 PEOPLE IN THESE DISTRICTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE DEAD. IT'S
2 SOMETHING TO WORRY ABOUT. GOD BLESS AMERICA.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MALIBU, SAN ANDREAS FAULT. SO GET YOUR
5 FACTS CORRECT. NOW MR. SACHS.

6

7 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD BLESS AMERICA.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
10 LISTENING TO SOME OF THE COMMENTARY, ONE OF THE INTERESTING
11 THINGS THAT I HEARD WAS SOMEBODY MENTION THE FACT THAT THE
12 POPULATION OF THE COUNTY HAS GROWN BY 400,000 LATINOS. AND
13 THERE ARE DIFFERENT GROWTHS OF DIFFERENT POPULATIONS. WELL,
14 THAT BRINGS UP THE POINT WHEN YOU DO A CENSUS EVERY 10 YEARS,
15 THERE'S A SHIFT IN THE POPULATION. THAT COULD LED TO A SHIFT
16 OF REPRESENTATION. YET THERE'S NO SHIFT IN REPRESENTATION IN
17 THE COUNTY. THERE'S STILL FIVE SUPERVISORS. I'M SURE THAT IN
18 THE TIME THAT THE BOARD HAS BEEN SITTING FOR THE MAJORITY, THE
19 FOUR OF YOU, THE POPULATION HAS GROWN BY PROBABLY OVER 10
20 PERCENT, MAYBE 15 PERCENT, AND THERE'S STILL FIVE SUPERVISORS.
21 IN THE END IT TAKES A LONG TIME, BUT YOU NEED TO COME DOWN AND
22 MAKE THAT POINT ON A WEEKLY BASIS OR MONTHLY BASIS. SO THAT
23 THAT'S THE SITUATION THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED AT. NOT CHANGING
24 THE BOUNDARY LINES, BUT CHANGING THE REPRESENTATION THERE.
25 START THERE AND THEN YOU CAN LOOK AT BOUNDARY LINES.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY.
3 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, READ THE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR PLAN A-2
6 WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE'S PROPOSED ADDITIONAL REVISIONS TO
7 SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2011. AND ACCEPT THE 2011 REPORT AND
8 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISORIAL
9 DISTRICT BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND ANY OTHER SUPERVISOR CAN BRING
12 FORTH?

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT OR INSTRUCT ME TO PUT AN ITEM ON
15 FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE PROCESS BY WHICH CAN THAT BE
18 DONE JUST ADMINISTRATIVELY?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DOESN'T HAVE TO BE DONE AT THE BOARD
23 MEETING.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUY THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS NEXT TUESDAY?

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** RIGHT. I BELIEVE, COUNTY COUNSEL, FOR
5 POSTING REQUIREMENTS, WE NEED EVERYTHING--

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT DATE DO WE REQUIRE IT BY?

8

9 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** A WEEK FROM THIS--

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE 16TH.

12

13 **ANDREA ORDIN:** AUGUST 16TH.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** A WEEK FROM TODAY. IS THAT 5 O'CLOCK AUGUST
16 16TH?

17

18 **ANDREA ORDIN:** 5 O'CLOCK AUGUST 16TH.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** A LETTER WITH A TRANSMITTAL TO THE EXECUTIVE
21 OFFICER IS SUFFICIENT TO HAVE IT CONSIDERED SEPTEMBER 6TH?

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

24

25 **ANDREA ORDIN:** YES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT YOUR UNDERSTANDING?

3

4 **ANDREA ORDIN:** YES, IT IS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. MAYOR, CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, LET ME THANK FIRST
9 OF ALL MR. PEDERSON AND THE LEADERSHIP HE PROVIDED TO THE
10 BOUNDARY COMMITTEE AS WELL AS ALL THE MEMBERS THAT SPENT ALL
11 OF THOSE HOURS IN THE COMMUNITY HEARINGS THAT THEY HELD AS
12 WELL AS THE C.A.O. STAFF. I ALSO WANT TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE
13 WHO PRESENTED BEFORE THE COMMISSION. THERE WERE MANY PEOPLE
14 WHO PARTICIPATED VERY ACTIVELY AND FOLLOWED UP ON ALL. I
15 PARTICULARLY WANT TO THANK MY APPOINTEES WHO SERVED ON THE
16 COMMITTEE: STEVE REYES AND SHAWN ANDRETTI AS WELL AS MY
17 ALTERNATES LUIS ALAGAI AND ALMA MARTINEZ. THEY DID AN
18 OUTSTANDING JOB IN ADVOCATING ON BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS OF
19 L.A. COUNTY. SO I WANT TO THANK THEM. BUT I HAVE A COUPLE OF
20 QUESTIONS. AND I THINK I'D LIKE TO BEGIN BY ASKING A QUESTION
21 OF COUNTY COUNSEL OR THE COUNSEL FOR THE BOUNDARY COMMITTEE. I
22 WANT TO BEGIN BY ASKING A COUPLE QUESTIONS OF CLARIFICATION SO
23 THAT I UNDERSTAND. AND THIS MIGHT REQUIRE SACHI OR SUPERVISOR
24 ANTONOVICH TO RESPOND. I'M NOT SURE. I WANT TO GET
25 CONFIRMATION OF WHAT THE TIME AND TODAY, WE BEGAN THE HEARING



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1 ON I GUESS WHAT IS KNOWN AS A-2, WHICH IS THE MAP THAT CAME
2 OUT OF THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION. WITH THREE VOTES. AND SO WE'RE
3 DOING TODAY IS THE BEGINNING OF THAT HEARING, IS THAT CORRECT?

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT'S THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING AS I
6 UNDERSTAND IT.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THERE WILL BE A SECOND HEARING WHEN?

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WELL, THIS ITEM IS BEING CONTINUED RIGHT
11 NOW TO SEPTEMBER 6TH. SO IT'S STILL ON THE SEPTEMBER 6TH
12 AGENDA, IT'S STILL THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING. YOU HAVE NOT
13 CLOSED THIS PUBLIC HEARING.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO EACH OF THESE HAVE TO HAVE TWO
16 HEARINGS, IS THAT CORRECT?

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

19

20 **ANDREA ORDIN:** YES, THAT IS CORRECT.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT IS CORRECT. AND SO THAT AT THE SEPTEMBER 6TH
23 HEARING, ANYTHING THAT IS INTRODUCED BETWEEN NOW AND AUGUST
24 16TH, IS IT STARTS THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS?

25



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE PUBLIC HEARING WOULD THEN GET SET, THE
2 FIRST PUBLIC HEARING WOULD GET SET FOR THE SEPTEMBER 6TH
3 AGENDA

4
5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND IT WILL HAVE?

6
7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING WOULD THEN
8 FOLLOW, ASSUMING THAT THAT FIRST PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED.
9 SO, FOR EXAMPLE-

10
11 **SUP. MOLINA:** IF THIS PUBLIC HEARING IS AT BEGINNING OF THAT
12 MAP AND THAT CONTINUES. AND THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING IS ON
13 SEPTEMBER THE SIXTH.

14
15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NOT FOR THE ONE THAT WAS HEARD TODAY, WHAT
16 I JUST READ IS CONTINUING THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING TO
17 SEPTEMBER 6TH.

18
19 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THOSE MAPS THAT MAY POTENTIALLY BE INTRODUCED
20 BETWEEN NOW AND AUGUST THE 16TH WOULD HAVE ITS FIRST HEARING.

21
22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON SEPTEMBER 6TH.

23
24 **SUP. MOLINA:** ON SEPTEMBER THE 6TH. AND WHEN WOULD IT HAVE THE
25 SECOND HEARING?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PRESUMING THAT IT CLOSES ON SEPTEMBER 6TH
3 THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING THEN COULD BE THE--

4

5 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THE 27TH.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE 27TH OF SEPTEMBER.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE 27TH OF SEPTEMBER?

10

11 **CLERK SASHI HAMAI:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO WHAT COULD STOP IT ON SEPTEMBER THE SIXTH?

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WHAT COULD STOP IT WOULD BE IF YOU DID NOT
16 HAVE THE VOTES TO PROCEED TO CLOSING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
17 MOVING IT INTO THE SECOND.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO ON SEPTEMBER THE SIXTH, IT IS ONLY CONTINUED.
20 SO THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING IS? IF IT'S NOT CLOSED TODAY. I
21 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE UNDERSTAND CLEARLY WHERE WE'RE AT.
22 THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING WOULD BE ON SEPTEMBER 27TH. WOULD
23 THAT ALSO BE CONSIDERED FOR ANY OTHER MAPS THAT ARE INTRODUCED
24 BETWEEN NOW AND AUGUST THE 15TH OR 16TH?

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'M SORRY. I MISSED THE FIRST PART OF THE
2 QUESTION.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** WOULD THAT ALSO BE CONSIDERED AT THAT TIME?
5 SEPTEMBER THE SIXTH WOULD BE THE FIRST HEARING, SEPTEMBER THE
6 27TH WOULD BE THE SECOND HEARING, IS THAT CORRECT?

7

8 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THAT'S RIGHT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
11 WE ALL UNDERSTAND WHAT THE PROCESS IS. SO THAT'S THE FIRST
12 CLARIFICATION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THE REASON WE CAN'T CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING TODAY
15 IS BECAUSE OF THE AMENDMENTS I MADE TO A-2.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT
18 THE PROCESS WOULD BE FOR ANY MAPS THAT ARE INTRODUCED AFTER.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THE OTHER QUESTION I WOULD HAVE IN FOLLOWING UP ON
21 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S QUESTION IS WE HAD A B.R.C. SO WE'RE NOT-
22 DO WE HAVE TO HAVE 13 PLANS GO THROUGH THE WHOLE 13 PLANS
23 AGAIN? OR IS IT JUST S-1 AND A-2? S-1 HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED
24 YET. THERE'S NO REASON TO HAVE A B.R.C. IF YOU HAVE TO
25 INTRODUCE 13 PLANS BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT TUESDAY.



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2 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR I BELIEVE AS A PRACTICAL MATTER IT WOULD
3 ONLY BE A LIMITED NUMBER OF PLANS. PLAN A-2 AND RECOMMENDED AS
4 REVISED FOR YOU TODAY AND ANY OTHER PLAN THAT WOULD BE
5 SUBMITTED PRIOR.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** PLAN OR PLANS?

8

9 **SPEKAER:** WELL POTENTIALLY I SUPPOSE IT COULD BE PLANS?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** DID WE HAVE 15 PLANS SUBMITTED TO B.R.C.?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** CERTAINLY THAT IS TRUE. AND THE STATUE CONTEMPLATES
14 THAT THE B.R.C. IS AN ADVISORY BODY TO THE BOARD. BUT THE
15 BOARD MAKES ITS OWN DECISIONS. IF THE BOARD CHOOSES TO REVIEW
16 OTHER PLANS, IT IS CERTAINLY WITHIN YOUR BOARD'S DISCRETION TO
17 DO SO.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** TO GO BACK TO MY QUESTION.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE YOU GO ON, CAN I JUST CLARIFY WHAT
22 YOU SAID? I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ALL UNDERSTAND THE SAME
23 THING. SO SUB KNABE'S AMENDMENT TODAY- SUPERVISOR KNABE'S
24 AMENDMENT THAT HE MADE TODAY WAS TODAY'S PUBLIC HEARING



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1 INCLUSIVE OF THAT AMENDMENT? OR IS THAT GOING TO BE ON
2 SEPTEMBER 6TH?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THAT WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 6TH. I THINK THROUGH
5 PRUDENCE AND THROUGH THE EXERCISE OF DISCRETION, THEY ARE
6 SMALL AMENDMENTS TO A-2. BUT IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE THE
7 PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SIXTH. AND THAT'S WHY YOUR BOARD
8 CONTINUED IT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TO THE EXTENT THAT THERE'S A PUBLIC HEARING
11 REQUIRED FOR HIS AMENDMENT, IT WAS NOT TODAY? IT WILL BE ON
12 SEPTEMBER 6TH?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** WELL THERE'S TECHNICALLY NOT A PUBLIC HEARING
15 REQUIREMENT FOR THE EXTENT OF AMENDMENTS THAT HE MADE. BUT TO
16 PROVIDE THE PUBLIC MORE--

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET'S SUPPOSE IT WAS A SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** IF IT WAS A SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE, WE WOULD RENOTICE IT
21 AGAIN.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE WOULD HAVE BEM ON
24 SEPTEMBER 6TH.

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1 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IF THERE HAD BEEN ANY SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE
4 PROPOSED TODAY, THE PUBLIC HEARING- THEY'D BE IN THE SAME
5 TRAJECTORY CHRONOLOGY-WISE AS ANYTHING THAT IS INTRODUCED
6 BETWEEN TODAY AND NEXT WEEK?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S CORRECT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO FOLLOW-UP ON SOME OF THE
11 OTHER QUESTIONS AND ASK QUESTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE BOUNDARY
12 REVIEW COMMITTEE AND ITS STAFF. AGAIN, IT IS AS WAS DETERMINED
13 AGAIN WITHIN THE COMMITTEE, IN THE GARZA ISSUE, WHAT DID THE
14 COMMITTEE DO WITH REGARD TO ASPECTS OF GARZA?

15

16 **LAURA BRILL:** I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR, I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE
17 QUESTION. WHAT DID THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE DO?

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW WAS IT DISCUSSED? WHAT WAS THE FRAMEWORK?
20 WHAT WAS THE ISSUE? WAS IT BROUGHT UP?

21

22 **LAURA BRILL:** WAS THAT SOMETHING I SHOULD ADDRESS?

23

24 **LAURA BRILL:** I'M HAPPY, TO, SURE.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO YOU NOT COUNSEL FOR THE COMMITTEE?

2

3 **LAURA BRILL:** I DIDN'T ATTEND ALL OF THE BOUNDARY REVIEW
4 COMMITTEE HEARINGS, SUPERVISOR. I ATTENDED THOSE THAT I WAS
5 REQUESTED TO ATTEND. AT THOSE THAT I ATTENDED IN GENERAL,
6 GARZA WAS DISCUSSED, THE MORE RECENT DECISION IN CONNO VERSUS
7 DAVIS WAS DISCUSSED, A VARIETY OF OTHER CASES WERE DISCUSSED.
8 AND SO I BELIEVE A SUMMARY, AT LEAST ONE OF THE SPEAKERS
9 PROVIDED A DESCRIPTION OF THE GARZA CASE TO THE BOUNDARY
10 REVIEW COMMITTEE.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE VARIOUS PLANS AS
13 SUPERVISOR KNABE MENTIONED IN WHICH THERE WAS VARIOUS PLANS,
14 MANY OF THEM, WHICH INTRODUCED TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
15 DISTRICTS, THERE WAS NO FRAMEWORK OR ANY DISCUSSION WITHIN THE
16 BOUNDARY COMMITTEE WITH REGARD TO THE RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER
17 GARZA?

18

19 **LAURA BRILL:** I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOU MEAN BY THAT, SUPERVISOR.
20 GARZA RESULTED IN A CONSENT JUDGMENT. BUT THE CONSENT JUDGMENT
21 IS NO LONGER IN FORCE. SO THERE WASN'T AN ISSUE WITH THAT.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THERE WERE ISSUES THAT WERE RELATED. ONE
24 ASPECT OF REDISTRICTING, WHETHER IT WAS 1959 OR TODAY, THERE
25 HAVE BEEN ISSUES WITH REGARD TO HOW THESE LINES ARE DRAWN. IT



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1 WAS, AGAIN, THROUGH THE GARZA DECISION THAT FORCED THIS ENTIRE
2 BOARD TO LOOK INTO AND TO REDRAW ITS LINES AND WAS FORCED BY A
3 COURT ORDER. THERE WERE ASPECTS OF VIOLATION OF THE VOTING
4 RIGHTS ACT AT THAT TIME THAT CLEARLY POINTED TO THIS COUNTY
5 HAVING TO REDRAW ITS LINES. SO I'M ASKING THE QUESTION WITHIN
6 THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE, WAS THERE ANY ASPECT OF GARZA
7 DISCUSSED AND ITS DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES OR OBLIGATIONS TO
8 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT?

9

10 **LAURA BRILL:** THERE WAS A BROAD DISCUSSION, SUPERVISOR,
11 REGARDING GARZA AND A VARIETY OF OTHER CASES. THERE WAS AN
12 OVERVIEW PROVIDED REGARDING THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE VOTING
13 RIGHTS ACT, REGARDING THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES
14 CONSTITUTION AND STATE LAW. SO THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ABOUT
15 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO REDISTRICTING.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO AGAIN THOSE ISSUES WERE NEVER
18 BROUGHT UP TO YOU AND ASKED IN ANY RESPECT TO THE ISSUES MAYBE
19 NOT OF GARZA BUT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT POTENTIALLY?

20

21 **LAURA BRILL:** I'M NOT SURE WHAT ISSUES PARTICULARLY YOU'RE
22 DESCRIBING, BUT THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE VOTING RIGHTS
23 ACT AND THE COUNTY'S LEGAL OBLIGATIONS UNDER IT CLEARLY.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE, WAS THERE ANY
2 SENTIMENT OR FEELING OR RESPONSIBILITY TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES
3 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT?

4

5 **LAURA BRILL:** I CAN'T SPEAK FOR THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, ALTHOUGH
6 THEY DID, IN TERMS OF THEIR SUBJECTIVE THOUGHTS, BUT THEY
7 PASSED A MOTION ASKING FOR ANALYSIS OF THE SECTION 2
8 COMPLIANCE WITH RESPECT TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** WAS THAT PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE?

11

12 **LAURA BRILL:** IT WAS PRESENTED TO YOUR BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT WAS NOT PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE?

15

16 **LAURA BRILL:** NO. THERE WAS A PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION PROVIDED
17 TO THE COMMITTEE. BUT THEN THERE WAS A MORE DETAILED DECISION
18 THAT'S BEEN PROVIDED TO THE BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHEN THOSE ISSUES, WHEN THE COMMITTEE ASKED
21 THAT REVIEW, THOSE ISSUES WERE NOT PRESENTED, THE VOTING ACT
22 RESPONSIBILITIES WERE NOT PRESENTED TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW
23 COMMITTEE?

24



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1 **LAURA BRILL:** I DON'T THINK THAT'S ACCURATE, SUPERVISOR. THERE
2 WAS A DISCUSSION ABOUT LEGAL COMPLIANCE AND THE REQUIREMENTS
3 UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. THEN I'M ASKING YOU. WHAT ISSUES OF
6 COMPLIANCE DID THEY DISCUSS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE?

7

8 **LAURA BRILL:** THERE WAS A DISCUSSION SIMILAR TO WHAT I
9 PRESENTED THIS MORNING, SUPERVISOR, REGARDING WHAT THE
10 OBLIGATIONS ARE UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHAT WERE THE OBLIGATIONS THAT WERE DISCUSSED?

13

14 **LAURA BRILL:** UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, WE DISCUSSED THE
15 GINGLES PRECONDITIONS AND THE TOTALITY OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES.
16 WHAT THE MEANING IS OF POLARIZED VOTING, WHEN THERE ARE
17 OBLIGATIONS TO CREATE MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICTS, VERY
18 SIMILAR TO-

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO UNDER THE THREE CONDITIONS UNDER GINGLES, DID
21 THE DISCUSSION ON THE FIRST CONDITION. IS THAT A CONDITION
22 THAT HAS BEEN MET UNDER THIS RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VOTING
23 RIGHTS ACT?

24



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1 **LAURA BRILL:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THERE ARE ISSUES OF PRIVILEGE AT
2 THIS STAGE. I MEAN, I THINK ALL OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEES'
3 PROCEEDINGS WERE RECORDED AND ARE ALL AVAILABLE. SO WHEN IT
4 GETS TO SINCE LITIGATION HAS BEEN THREATENED AGAINST THE
5 COUNTY, WHEN IT COMES TO PROVIDING A DISCUSSION OF HOW THE
6 VOTING RIGHTS ACT COMPLIES APPLIES TO THE PARTICULAR
7 DISTRICTS, I THINK THAT'S NOT AN ISSUE TO WHICH THE BOARD'S
8 WAIVED THE PRIVILEGE.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO WAIVE PRIVILEGE. I'M ASKING
11 A VERY CLEAR QUESTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOUNDARY
12 REVIEW COMMITTEE TO VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
13 AND WHEN I ASKED YOU A QUESTION OF WHAT WAS ASKED AND HOW IT
14 WAS EXPLAINED, YOU'RE SAYING THERE'S CONFIDENTIALITY.

15

16 **LAURA BRILL:** I THOUGHT YOU WERE ASKING A DIFFERENT QUESTION,
17 SUPERVISOR. SORRY.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M NOT ASKING A DIFFERENT QUESTION. I'M ASKING
20 THE VERY SAME QUESTION. WERE THESE ISSUES BROUGHT UP?

21

22 **CURT PEDERSON:** SUPERVISOR?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, SIR.

25



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1 **CURT PEDERSON:** WE DID DISCUSS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IN GREAT
2 LENGTH.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **CURT PEDERSON:** AND MISS BRILL SAID THAT WHILE IT WAS NOT HER
7 FINAL OPINION BUT SHE FELT THAT BOTH S-1 AND A-2 MET THE
8 GUIDELINES OF SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND SHE THEN
9 STATED THAT A FINAL REPORT WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING MORE SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSING
11 THE VOTER RIGHTS ACT RELATIVE TO THE TWO PLANS.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THEN LET ME ASK QUESTIONS WITH
14 REGARD TO A-2. WHAT IN A-2 DO YOU THINK FULFILLS THE
15 RESPONSIBILITY UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT?

16

17 **LAURA BRILL:** SO THAT'S GETTING INTO AN AREA OF PRIVILEGE,
18 SUPERVISOR. AND I BELIEVE THAT THE BOARD HASN'T WAIVED THE
19 PRIVILEGE IN TERMS OF THE SPECIFICS OF HOW THERE OF THAT.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR. I THINK THAT MISS BRILL CAN ANSWER
22 ON A GENERAL LEVEL AS REFLECTED IN HER MEMO THAT WAS RELEASED
23 PUBLICLY AND AS CONSISTENT WITH THE ADVICE GIVEN TO THE
24 BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE PUBLICLY. WITH REGARD TO THE VERY



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1 SPECIFIC QUESTIONS AS TO HOW IT SPECIFICALLY APPLIES WITH PLAN
2 A-2--

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. PEDERSON JUST SAID THAT UNDER A-2 IT COMPLIED
5 WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. SO I'M ASKING
6 A LEGAL QUESTION OF HOW DO THEY CONCLUDE THAT THAT WAS THE
7 CASE?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** AND LET ME CLARIFY, CHAIRPERSON PEDERSON'S REMARKS, I
10 BELIEVE THAT MISS BRILL SAID THAT THE PLANS WOULD LIKELY
11 COMPLY WITH SECTION 2 BASED UPON HER PRELIMINARY REVIEW. AND
12 THAT A FULLER REVIEW WOULD BE DONE ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD.
13 PERHAPS MISS BRILL CAN ELABORATE ON WHAT SHE TOLD THE
14 COMMITTEE PUBLICLY AND WHAT IS IN HER PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.

15

16 **LAURA BRILL:** THAT'S CORRECT AS COUNTY COUNSEL DESCRIBED IT. I
17 DESCRIBED A PRELIMINARY TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE, I
18 DESCRIBED A PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF ELECTIONS AND THE INITIAL
19 ASSESSMENT THAT THERE WAS LIKELY COMPLIANCE. AND THEN I'VE
20 DONE FURTHER ANALYSIS AND PROVIDED DETAILS TO THE BOARD AND
21 HAVE PROVIDED PUBLIC INFORMATION THAT THERE IS SUBSTANTIAL
22 CROSSOVER VOTING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND CROSSOVER VOTING AS PART OF THE VOTING RIGHTS
25 ACT?



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2 **LAURA BRILL:** OH YES CROSSOVER VOTING IS PART OF THE VOTING
3 RIGHTS ACT BECAUSE UNDER GINGLES PRECONDITION 3, YOU DON'T
4 JUST LOOK AT WHETHER THERE'S SOME ELEMENT OF POLARIZED VOTING
5 THERE HAS TO BE SUCH SUBSTANTIAL POLARIZED VOTING THAT LATINO
6 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE DO NOT HAVE A FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO WIN
7 ELECTIONS.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE CONCLUDED THAT?

10

11 **LAURA BRILL:** I THINK THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE DETERMINED
12 THAT IT WAS FOR THE BOARD TO ASSESS SECTION 2 COMPLIANCE. AND
13 THAT THEY HAD RECEIVED A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT THAT THERE WAS
14 LIKELY COMPLIANCE AND THAT THERE WOULD BE FURTHER SECTION 2
15 REVIEW PROVIDED TO THE BOARD.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DIDN'T HEAR THAT IN MR. PEDERSON'S REPORT THIS
18 MORNING THAT IT WAS UP TO THIS BOARD TO MAKE A CONCLUSION AS
19 TO WHETHER THEY WOULD BE FUNCTIONING UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS
20 ACT OR NOT BECAUSE YOU KEEP SAYING THAT WE DID NOT DISCUSS IT.
21 IT'S UP TO THE BOARD TO MAKE A DETERMINATION.

22

23 **LAURA BRILL:** NO. I PROVIDED A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT TO THE
24 BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE ABOUT THE LIKELY COMPLIANCE WITH THE
25 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND THEN THEY PASSED A MOTION ASKING FOR



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1 FURTHER SECTION 2 REVIEW. AND THAT REVIEW HAS BEEN DONE AND
2 HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE BOARD. AND IT'S THE BOARD'S
3 RESPONSIBILITY ULTIMATELY TO ENSURE THAT THE LINES THAT ARE
4 DRAWN COMPLY WITH SECTION 2.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IN THE ADOPTION OF A-2, THE BOUNDARY
7 COMMITTEE, YOU WOULD CONCLUDE THAT IT MET THE RESPONSIBILITIES
8 OR THE OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT?

9

10 **LAURA BRILL:** WHAT I PROVIDED TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE
11 WAS AN INITIAL ASSESSMENT THAT IT WAS LIKELY TO COMPLY WITH
12 SECTION 2. AND THEN I PROVIDED A MORE DETAILED ANALYSIS TO THE
13 BOARD THAT THE BOARD HAS.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO WITH THE POPULATION OF 48 PERCENT OF
16 LATINOS, IS THAT UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, WOULD YOU SAY
17 THAT A-2 REPRESENTS THE POTENTIAL OF CREATING TWO LATINO
18 OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS?

19

20 **LAURA BRILL:** WELL YOU'RE ASKING ME NOW TO GIVE A FINAL, GIVE
21 AN APPLICATION OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT TO A-2, I BELIEVE
22 THAT'S A MATTER ON WHICH THE BOARD HASN'T WAIVED THE
23 PRIVILEGE. BUT IN THE PARTICULARS OF SPEAKING GENERALLY,
24 SECTION 2 LOOKS AT CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION, WHICH I
25 DON'T BELIEVE IS UP TO 48 PERCENT FOR LATINO VOTERS. AND THERE



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1 IS SUBSTANTIAL CROSSOVER VOTING, INCLUDING IN A VARIETY OF
2 ELECTIONS THAT ARE NOT CONSIDERED IN THE REPORT THAT PROFESSOR
3 LEVITT AND HIS COLLEAGUES SUBMITTED AND THAT ARE LIKELY, AND
4 THOSE OMISSIONS THE BOARD MAY WISH TO KEEP IN MIND IN HOW IT
5 ASSESSED AND HOW MUCH WEIGHT IT GIVES TO THAT REPORT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN EACH OF YOUR RESPONSES, YOU KEEP ALLUDING TO
8 THE FACT THAT YOU'RE MEETING THOSE CRITERIA. SO I'M ASKING THE
9 QUESTION. DOES UNDER THE PRESENT MAP THAT THE B.R.C. ADOPTED
10 AS A MAJORITY REPORT, DOES IT PROVIDE FOR TWO LATINO
11 OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS? YES OR NO?

12

13 **LAURA BRILL:** YOU KNOW, THAT, AGAIN, YOU'RE ASKING FOR A LEGAL
14 OPINION ON THE PARTICULAR APPLICATION. AND SO THAT'S A MATTER
15 ON WHICH I THINK THAT THERE HASN'T BEEN A WAIVER OF PRIVILEGE.
16 BUT WHAT I'LL SAY IS THAT THAT TERM HAS BEEN USED IN A VARIETY
17 OF DIFFERENT WAYS IN THESE PRESENTATIONS. AND IN THE REPORT
18 SUBMITTED BY PROFESSOR LEVITT AND HIS COLLEAGUES, IT SEEMS TO
19 REFER TO AN ABILITY TO CONTROL ELECTIONS AND TO DETERMINE THE
20 OUTCOME DEFINITELY. THAT'S NOT WHAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
21 REQUIRES. IT REQUIRES AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO WHAT IN A-2 REQUIRES THAT EQUAL
24 OPPORTUNITY?

25



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1 **LAURA BRILL:** I THINK YOU'RE ASKING THE SAME QUESTION THAT I'VE
2 ANSWERED BEFORE.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU KEEP REPEATING TO ME THAT THERE ARE- AND I'M
5 JUST TRYING TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING. SO NONE OF THE
6 LEGAL QUESTIONS ARE GOING TO BE ANSWERED HERE, IS THAT WHAT
7 YOU'RE SAYING UNDER THE LEGAL RATIONALE FOR THE MAJORITY MAP?
8 IS THAT CORRECT?

9

10 **LAURA BRILL:** I WOULDN'T SAY NONE OF THE LEGAL QUESTIONS. I
11 HAVEN'T HEARD ALL OF THEM. BUT MANY OF THE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS
12 IN TERMS OF--

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** NONE OF THE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS. I'M TRYING TO
15 UNDERSTAND THE RATIONALE IN THE MAJORITY MAP AS TO HOW IT
16 COMPLIES WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.

17

18 **LAURA BRILL:** WHAT I CAN SAY IN TERMS OF ADDITIONAL
19 INFORMATION, BECAUSE I THINK THERE'S SOME CONFUSION CREATED BY
20 THE LEVITT REPORT IN TERMS OF WHAT IT ADDRESSES AND WHAT IT
21 DOES NOT ADDRESS. AND SO I CAN COME AT IT FROM THE PERSPECTIVE
22 OF PROVIDING PUBLIC INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT SOME
23 ELECTIONS THAT AREN'T CONSIDERED IN THAT REPORT AND HOW THAT
24 REPORT DOES ITS ANALYSIS SO THAT THE BOARD CAN WEIGH THAT
25 REPORT AND DETERMINE HOW MUCH WEIGHT TO GIVE TO IT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN YOU DO THAT PUBLICLY?

3

4 **LAURA BRILL:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN YOU GIVE ME SAMPLES OF THOSE ELECTIONS?

7

8 **LAURA BRILL:** ABSOLUTELY. THERE ARE IN REACHING THEIR
9 CONCLUSIONS ABOUT THE EXTENT OF NON-LATINO SUPPORT FOR LATINO
10 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE, THEY DO NOT CONSIDER SHERIFF BACA'S WIN,
11 ANY OF THEM. THEY DO NOT CONSIDER BUSTAMANTE'S WIN FOR
12 INSURANCE COMMISSIONER IN 2006. BUSTAMANTE'S WIN FOR
13 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN 1998. ASSESSOR NOGUEZ'S WIN IN THE 2010
14 GENERAL ELECTION. THEY DO NOT CONSIDER ABEL MALDONADO'S
15 WINNING THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY FOR CONTROLLER IN 2006. THEY DO
16 NOT CONSIDER PROPOSITION 54 IN 2003. THEY DO NOT CONSIDER ANY
17 PROPOSITIONS IN THE LAST DECADE. THEY DO NOT CONSIDER ANY
18 GENERAL ELECTIONS. THEY DO NOT CONSIDER ANY ELECTION IN WHICH
19 NO LATINO CANDIDATE RAN. AND SO THERE ARE A VARIETY OF
20 ELECTIONS THAT WERE NOT CONSIDERED. THEY ALSO DO NOT CONSIDER
21 ANY ELECTIONS FOR JUDGES PRECEDING 2006 INCLUDING INFORMATION
22 ABOUT JUDGE ESCOBEDA, JUDGE GOMEZ, JUDGE BASSIA GALUPO, ALL OF
23 THOSE WON BOTH PRIMARIES AND GENERALS, I BELIEVE, JOHN
24 GUTIERREZ WON IN 2002, HE WAS SECOND IN THE PRIMARY ADVANCING
25 TO THE GENERAL. HE DID NOT WIN THE GENERAL. RICHARD NORANJO IN



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1 THE 39TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT WON BOTH THE PRIMARY AND THE
2 GENERAL. SO THOSE ARE JUST SOME OF THE ELECTIONS THAT ARE NOT
3 INCLUDED IN THAT REPORT THAT THEY HAVE PROVIDED TO YOU.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO MISS BRILL, WHAT YOU'RE SAYING BASICALLY
6 THAT IN THOSE ELECTIONS IF THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED, IF
7 THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED, THEY WOULD HAVE SHOW NO
8 RACIALLY POLARIZED VOTING; IS THAT CORRECT? IS THAT WHAT
9 YOU'RE SAYING?

10

11 **LAURA BRILL:** I'M NOT SAYING THAT. I'M SAYING THOSE ARE
12 VICTORIES. WHAT I'M TRYING TO DO IS NOT GET INTO WAIVING THE
13 PRIVILEGE. THESE ARE BASED ON PUBLIC INFORMATION.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IN THE GINGLES AGAIN, WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT
16 THOSE OTHER, THE LAST TWO SECTIONS OF IT THAT WERE DISCUSSED
17 HERE AT LENGTH, YOU'RE RAISING ALL OF THESE ELECTIONS.

18

19 **LAURA BRILL:** YES.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND YOU'RE SAYING BECAUSE OF THE CONCLUSION OF
22 THOSE ELECTIONS, THERE WAS NO RACIAL POLARIZED VOTING? YES OR
23 NO?

24



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1 **LAURA BRILL:** I DON'T THINK THE BOARD'S INSTRUCTED ME TO GET
2 INTO MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE AND TO ADDRESS APPLICATION OF THOSE-
3 -

4
5 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXCUSE ME, EXCUSE ME! EXCUSE ME! THESE ARE MY
6 QUESTIONS. YOU CAN BE ENTITLED TO ASK YOUR QUESTIONS. CAN I
7 ASK AGAIN: I DON'T KNOW THAT I'M TRYING TO GET AT THE ISSUE OF
8 WAIVING PRIVILEGE. I'M TRYING TO GET AT THE ISSUE YOU ARE
9 COUNSEL FOR BOUNDARY COMMITTEE. AND SO CONSEQUENTLY I'M TRYING
10 TO UNDERSTAND THE LEGAL PREMISE UNDER WHICH THE BOUNDARY
11 COMMITTEE CONCLUDED YES OR NO WHETHER IN FACT IT WAS MEETING
12 THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I'M SORRY,
13 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. I WANT TO GET ANSWERS TO THIS. AGAIN,
14 I GUESS I COULD ASK THE BOARD TO WAIVE PRIVILEGE SO THAT I
15 COULD GET ANSWERS TO THESE LEGAL QUESTIONS.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MAYBE WE COULD WAIVE THE PRIVILEGE ON THE
18 CHILD WELFARE DOCUMENTS, TOO.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK YOU VOTED IN THAT DIRECTION, SIR.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DID.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE WOULD WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY AGAIN. SO THE
25 ISSUE IS I'M ASKING QUESTIONS. AS COUNSEL TO THE COMMITTEE, I



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1 MEAN THESE QUESTIONS I MEAN OBVIOUSLY HAD TO BE EXPLAINED AND
2 UNDERSTOOD. BUT I'M GETTING THE IMPRESSION THAT YOU SAID THAT
3 WHAT THE INFORMATION YOU GAVE THEM WAS A BRIEF OUTLINE. AND
4 BASICALLY MORE WAS CONCLUDED IN THE REPORT THAT WAS GIVEN TO
5 THE BOARD. WELL IT'S INTERESTING IN LOOKING AT ALL OF THOSE
6 DYNAMICS AND YOU LOOK AT THOSE OTHER RACES, BUT THE STATE
7 BOUNDARY COMMITTEE UNDER THE GIBSON DON CRUTCHER REPORT, THEY
8 CLEARLY CONCLUDED THAT IN L.A. COUNTY THE NUMBERS WERE
9 SUFFICIENT TO MANDATE AN OBLIGATION TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
10 AND I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THESE TWO
11 AND HOW THEY WERE DISCUSSED AND WHAT FRAMEWORK. WHICH I THINK
12 THIS IS THE OBLIGATION THAT THIS BOARD WILL HAVE. THERE IS NO
13 DOUBT THAT THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE PROVIDES AN ADVISORY
14 SET OF MAPS POTENTIALLY. BUT I GUESS I'M TRYING TO LOOK AT IT
15 WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF OBLIGATION AND RESPONSIBILITY THAT
16 THIS BOARD HAS. AND SO WHEN IT'S PRESENTING A MAJORITY MAP,
17 I'M TRYING TO GET AN UNDERSTANDING IF THEY ARE LOOKING AT
18 FULFILLING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OR NOT.

19

20 **LAURA BRILL:** SUPERVISOR, AS I DESCRIBED AT THE BEGINNING OF
21 THE HEARING TODAY, THE BOARD HAS AN OBLIGATION TO COMPLY WITH
22 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND I TRIED AS CLEARLY AS I COULD TO
23 LAY OUT WHAT THOSE STANDARDS ARE. THE ELECTIONS THAT ARE
24 OMITTED FROM THE LEVITT AND BARRETO REPORTS REPRESENT A LARGE
25 NUMBER OF ELECTIONS. THE GIBSON, DUNN REPORT THAT WAS ATTACHED



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1 TO THAT DOES NOT GIVE ANY INDICATION BEYOND ONE ELECTION FOR--
2 IT FOCUSES ON CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 37, WHICH IS ALMOST
3 ENTIRELY OR ENTIRELY IN SD-2. AND MOST OF THE ANALYSIS SEEMS
4 TO BE ON THAT DISTRICT. AND THEY DID NOT PROVIDE ALL OF ANY
5 OTHER-- THEY DIDN'T PROVIDE THE FULL BASIS OF WHAT THEIR
6 REPORT WAS. SO IF WE SAW THAT INFORMATION, WE COULD LOOK AT IT
7 AND DECIDE WHAT WEIGHT TO GIVE IT. BUT THEY DIDN'T PROVIDE THE
8 UNDERLYING MATERIAL TO EXPLAIN THAT CONCLUSION.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY HAVE NOT.

11

12 **LAURA BRILL:** NO. I MEAN, THEY HAVE NOT. IDON'T KNOW, I ASSUME
13 THEY DID TO THE-- I ASSUME IT WAS PROVIDED TO THE STATE
14 REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE. BUT IT HASN'T BEEN PROVIDED HERE AND
15 I HAVE NOT SEEN IT.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU HAVE NOT SEEN IT.

18

19 **LAURA BRILL:** NO.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IN REGARD TO THE ISSUE OF AGAIN UNDER THE
22 VOTING RIGHTS ACT, COULD YOU DESCRIBE WHAT WOULD BE, I GUESS,
23 THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF "PACKING A DISTRICT"?

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1 **LAURA BRILL:** PACKING, AND THIS WAS ALSO DISCUSSED AT THE
2 B.R.C. HEARING. "CRACKING". AND THEY'RE OFTEN THROWN AROUND
3 SIMILARLY TO THE WAY THE TERM "POLARIZED VOTING" IS THROWN
4 AROUND. AND THEY CAN BE USED IN CONFUSING WAYS. SO AS IT'S
5 RELEVANT TO A LEGAL ANALYSIS, PACKING WOULD MEAN CONCENTRATING
6 A MINORITY GROUP SO MUCH IN ONE DISTRICT SO THAT IN OTHER
7 DISTRICTS THEY DO NOT HAVE A FAIR AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO
8 ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE. AND SO CRACKING WOULD BE
9 DIVIDING UP MINORITY GROUPS SO THAT THEY, WITH THE RESULT THAT
10 THEY DO NOT HAVE A FAIR AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT
11 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE. BUT YOU CAN'T APPLY THOSE LABELS SORT OF
12 IN THE ABSTRACT JUST LOOKING AT NUMBERS BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT
13 REALLY MEANINGFUL IN THAT WAY UNLESS THEY'RE ALSO ACCOMPANIED
14 WITH THE INABILITY TO ELECT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IN THE A-2 MAP THAT IS PRESENTED, DISTRICT 1,
17 UNDER YOUR LEGAL OPINION, DOES NOT INVOLVE PACKING AT ALL?

18

19 **LAURA BRILL:** YOU KNOW, AGAIN WE'RE GETTING INTO THE AREAS OF
20 PRIVILEGE. THE NUMBERS ARE PUBLIC. SO I DON'T THINK THAT
21 THERE'S NOT BEEN A PUBLIC...IN TERMS OF ARE THE NUMBERS
22 SUFFICIENT TO CREATE A VOTING RIGHTS ACT VIOLATION? THAT IS A
23 MATTER ON WHICH IT'S BEEN IT'S PRIVILEGED IN TERMS OF WHAT THE
24 APPLICATION IS.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS A PUBLIC MEETING WITH HOPEFULLY A
2 DISCUSSION OF THESE ISSUES IN A PUBLIC SETTING.

3

4 **LAURA BRILL:** WHAT I WILL SAY IS THAT ALL OF THE DATA ABOUT
5 WHAT THE DISTRICT LINES ARE AND A LARGE AMOUNT OF ELECTION
6 DATA ARE ALL PUBLICLY AVAILABLE. THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER HAS
7 ELECTION OUTCOMES. AND SO ALL OF THE DATA ON WHICH THE
8 POLARIZATION ANALYSES AND OTHER ANALYSES CAN BE DONE ARE ALL
9 PUBLIC INFORMATION.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THE COMMITTEE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO
12 PRESENT A MINORITY REPORT. AND AS I'VE BEEN READING AND GOING
13 THROUGH IT, IT PROVIDES ALL OF THESE LEGAL CONCLUSIONS IN A
14 VERY CLEARLY, VERY LEGAL, VERY STATISTICALLY-ORIENTED FASHION.
15 IT DOESN'T HIDE ANY OF IT. IT PRESENTS TO THIS BOARD A REAL
16 OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT FACTS, TO LOOK AT THE LAW, TO LOOK AT
17 THE NUMBERS, TO LOOK AT ANALYSIS AND TO LOOK AT HISTORIC
18 DISCRIMINATION. AND SO I REALLY THANK THE MEMBERS THAT PUT
19 TOGETHER THE MINORITY REPORT BECAUSE IT PRESENTS ALL OF THOSE
20 THINGS HERE FOR THIS BOARD. AND I THINK WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE
21 RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER REAPPORTIONMENT, AS THE
22 RESPONSIBILITIES OF CENSUS, IT DOES TALK ABOUT THE POTENTIAL
23 FOR CHANGE. AND I UNDERSTAND THE DISCOMFORT WITH CHANGE.
24 ANYBODY IS UNCOMFORTABLE FROM THOSE KINDS OF POTENTIAL CHANGES
25 AND SWEEPING CHANGES THAT MIGHT OCCUR IN A DISTRICT. BUT IT IS



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1 CLEARLY SPEAKING TO THE RESPONSIBILITIES, THE DUTIES AND THE
2 OBLIGATIONS THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS. IT HAS NOT MET
3 IT IN THE PAST. IT'S DISCRIMINATION. AND CERTAINLY THOSE
4 ISSUES HAVE BEEN IN THE PAST. MOST OF THESE MEMBERS WEREN'T
5 SERVING ON THE BOARD AT THE TIME WHEN MANY OF THOSE OTHER
6 DECISIONS WERE MADE. SO TODAY THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK
7 AT THE RESPONSIBILITY, THE DUTY AND THE OBLIGATION UNDER THE
8 VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE INFORMATION THAT
9 IS THERE. THE MINORITY REPORT, BESIDES ITS MAP, ALSO HAS A
10 VERY DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF ALL ASPECTS OF THE LAW, WHETHER
11 IT'S MEETING ALL THE GINGLES REQUIREMENTS, WHETHER IT IS
12 LOOKING AT ALL OF THE NUMBERS. IT HAS A STATISTICAL ANALYSIS
13 THAT TAKES ALL OF THE ELECTIONS THAT WERE MENTIONED BY MISS
14 BRILL IN ONE FASHION OR ANOTHER AND POINTS THEM IN THE
15 DIRECTION OF HOW IN L.A. COUNTY UNFORTUNATELY TODAY WE HAVE
16 RACIALLY POLARIZED VOTING. AND IT IS INTERESTING IN TRYING TO
17 ACHIEVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY HAVE PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY
18 SELECT THE CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE, IT REALLY IS GOING TO
19 REQUIRE SOME STRONG LEGAL MUSTER FROM SOMEONE WHO REPRESENTS
20 THE MINORITY COMMUNITY AS IT WAS DONE IN GARZA. I WOULD NOT BE
21 SITTING HERE TODAY HAD IT NOT BEEN THE EFFORT OF M.A.L.D.E.F.,
22 THE A.C.L.U. AND MANY, MANY PEOPLE BEFORE THEM WHO HAD BEEN A
23 PART OF THE REAPPORTIONMENT PROCESS AND CONTINUOUSLY TRIED TO
24 DEMONSTRATE TO THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT THERE IN FACT
25 HAD BEEN INTENTIONAL DISCRIMINATION AND DISENFRANCHISEMENT OF



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1 MANY OF THE PEOPLE WHO WANTED AN OPPORTUNITY TO SELECT ONE OF
2 THEIR OWN. WE HAVE THAT HISTORIC OPPORTUNITY AGAIN TODAY. AND
3 IF YOU LOOK AT THE MAP THAT IS BEING PRESENTED, IT WILL TELL
4 YOU THAT IT ADHERES TO THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT OF THE VOTING
5 RIGHTS ACT, WHICH A-2 DOES NOT. IT DOESN'T JUST GLOSS OVER
6 THESE ISSUES. IT CLEARLY PRESENTS ALL OF THE STATISTICS, ALL
7 OF THE INFORMATION AS STRAIGHTFORWARD AS IT SHOULD BE WITHOUT
8 HIDING UNDER ANY ASPECT OF CONFIDENTIALITY OR ANY OTHER
9 ASPECTS. IT PUTS THE LAW FORWARD. IT GIVES IT ALL THE
10 STATISTICS, ALL THE INFORMATION AND EVERYTHING THAT CAN TELL
11 YOU VERY CLEARLY THAT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, UNDER THE U.S.
12 CENSUS, WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO DRAW TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
13 DISTRICTS. AND THAT IS ALL THEY ARE, IS OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS.
14 WHEN YOU LOOK AT ALL OF THE HISTORY AND CERTAINLY ALL THAT
15 GARZA PRESENTED BEFORE IT, AND YOU LOOK AT THE INFORMATION
16 WITHIN THE MINORITY REPORT, IT CLEARLY TELLS US OVER AND OVER
17 AGAIN OF THE RESPONSIBILITY AND IN THE PAST HOW THERE HAS BEEN
18 INTENTIONAL DISCRIMINATION. BUT I THINK THAT WE DO HAVE AN
19 OPPORTUNITY NOW AND TODAY. AND CERTAINLY THIS PROCESS IS GOING
20 TO CONTINUE IN WHICH WE CAN PRESENT ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR
21 THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK AT A SERIES OF MAPS THAT
22 CREATE THAT OPPORTUNITY, THAT ADHERE TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT,
23 AND THAT ONCE AND FOR ALL MOVE FORWARD. THIS BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS AWAY FROM JUST A LITIGATION ASPECT, IT COSTS THE
25 COUNTY OVER 14 MILLION DOLLARS LAST TIME AROUND. AND I GUESS



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1 IF YOU LOOK AT INFLATION AND EVERYTHING ELSE, YOU'RE PROBABLY
2 TALKING ABOUT 20 MILLION PLUS. I DON'T KNOW IF THIS BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS AT THE END OF THE DAY IT'S GOING TO ARM ITSELF
4 AGAIN TO DO WAR WITH THE MINORITY COMMUNITY OF THIS COUNTY. I
5 HOPE IT WILL NOT. I HOPE IT WILL CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY AGAIN
6 WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF TRYING TO HONOR ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF
7 REAPPORTIONMENT THAT ARE IMPORTANT. IT IS NOT AGAIN TO TAKE
8 AWAY FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE OR SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS OR
9 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH OR ANY OF US, BUT TO CREATE A SERIES OF
10 LINES THAT ARE GOING TO CREATE AND FULFILL THE
11 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT THIS BOARD WAS ELECTED TO UNDERTAKE. AND
12 WHILE I HAVE BEEN AND HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO READ THE
13 PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION FROM THE LAWYERS, I CLEARLY BELIEVE,
14 CLEARLY BELIEVE THAT THERE IS NOT ENOUGH LEGAL GROUND UPON
15 WHICH TO STAND WHEN THE NUMBERS SPEAK SO STRONGLY, THE
16 OBLIGATION STANDS SO FIRMLY AND HOW AGAIN AND AGAIN IT WILL
17 CONTINUE TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND DISENFRANCHISEMENT OF A
18 LATINO COMMUNITY. WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY HERE. I AM LOOKING TO
19 THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THAT
20 OPPORTUNITY, LOOKING AT POTENTIALLY OTHER MAPS, NOT JUST THIS
21 MAJORITY MAP AT THIS POINT IN TIME SO THAT IT WILL CONTINUE TO
22 NOT ONLY MEET THE NEEDS AND RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE VOTING
23 RIGHTS ACT BUT ALSO TO CONTINUE AS MANY OF US WOULD LIKE TO
24 SEE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES,
25 GEOGRAPHY, TOPOGRAPHY AND ALL THE OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES THAT



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1 WE HAVE UNDER REAPPORTIONMENT. IT CAN BE DONE. AND SO THAT IS
2 MY HOPE. THIS HEARING IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED. THERE WILL BE
3 MANY, MANY OTHERS THAT WILL ADDRESS US ON THESE ISSUES. BUT I
4 HOPE THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO FULFILL THE
5 RESPONSIBILITY THAT WAS NOT MET UNDER GARZA AND UNFORTUNATELY
6 THAT THIS COUNTY AND TAXPAYERS DOLLARS AT THE END OF THE DAY
7 PAID THE PRICE. SO AGAIN WHILE WE HAVE MUCH BEFORE US AND WE
8 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE FORWARD, I WANT TO THANK THE
9 COMMITTEE FOR THE WORK THAT IT DID, THE HEARINGS THAT IT
10 PROVIDED, THE EFFORTS THAT WERE DONE; AND SUPERVISOR
11 ANTONOVICH, I WANT TO THANK YOUR STAFF FOR BEING SO INCLUSIVE
12 AND ALLOWING ALL OF US TO PARTICIPATE SO THAT WE HAD A HEARING
13 THAT IF NOTHING ELSE, EVERYBODY HAD A SAY AND AN OPPORTUNITY
14 TO EXPRESS THEIR POINT OF VIEW. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.

15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL-

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DO YOU WANT ME TO REREAD?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO WE ARE REQUESTING TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC
24 HEARING FOR PLAN A-2 WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE'S PROPOSED
25 ADDITIONAL REVISIONS TO SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 AND ACCEPT THE 2011



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1 REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
2 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THE TIME OF THAT MEETING WOULD BE
5 1:00 BECAUSE IT'S THE DAY AFTER A HOLIDAY. WE OUGHT TO
6 CONSIDER HAVING THAT MEETING AT 9:30 REGULAR TIME.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHEN ON SEPTEMBER 6TH?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SIXTH. IF WE START AT 1:00, AND WE
11 HAVE A REPEAT OF TODAY, DO YOU SEE WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO SET THE TIME AT 9:30?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WON'T BE HERE AT 9:30.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT TIME ARE YOU HERE?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** AT 1.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. IT WILL BE AT 1:00.

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 1:00 ON SEPTEMBER 6TH. SO I NEED A MOTION.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** [OFF MIC] COULD DO THAT TO MAKE SORT AN AGREEMENT
6 BETWEEN ALL OF US THAT WE HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN AN
7 ANIMAL, MAYBE? IF YOU WANT TO DO AN ANIMAL? I MEAN NO OTHER
8 PRESENTATIONS. I MEAN 1:00 MEETING AND TRYING TO DO ALL THAT.
9 JUST HAVE THE NO PRESENTATIONS THAT DAY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** I SECOND THAT. [LAUGHTER.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET'S CHECK THAT WE HAVE NO CONSUL
14 GENERALS. WE'LL SEE IF WE CAN ACHIEVE THAT GOAL. WE'LL CHECK
15 ON THAT.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THEN ON ITEM NUMBER 37-A, THAT IS JUST
18 A RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES. RECEIVE AND FILE. SO ORDERED.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR?

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THIS IS A CLARIFICATION ONCE AGAIN. I
2 THINK IT WAS ASKED AND I WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR THAT ADDITIONAL
3 MAPS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED, THEY CAN BE. AND IS IT NOT THE CASE
4 THAT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER INDICATED THAT IT WOULD NEED TO BE
5 DONE PRIOR TO OR NO LATER THAN 5 O'CLOCK ON THE 16TH?

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S CORRECT?

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES. CORRECT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO THAT WHICH IS REFERRED TO AS THE MAPS
14 THAT ARE BEFORE US AND WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED TODAY
15 WILL BE GIVEN THE SAME CONSIDERATION OF ANY MAPS THAT WOULD
16 FIND THEIR WAY TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION PRIOR TO 5 O'CLOCK OR
17 5:01 ON THE 16TH OF AUGUST?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** THE ONLY PLAN THAT WAS SUBMITTED TODAY WAS A-2 AS
20 REVISED BY MY MOTION. S-1 WAS NOT SUBMITTED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

23



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE POINT TO BE APPRECIATED IS THAT ANY
2 SUBSEQUENT MAPS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED WILL BE DISPOSED OF
3 SIMILARLY? THAT'S WHAT I'M ESSENTIALLY SAYING.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH THEY JUST HAVE TO BE TURNED IN OR SUBMITTED
6 ADMINISTRATIVELY BY THE 16TH AT 5 O'CLOCK.

7

8 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THAT'S NOT TO SAY THAT IF THEY ARE COMPLETED
9 EARLIER, THE STAFF AND OTHERS WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE
10 SEEING THEM EVEN SOONER.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS TO BE APPRECIATED THAT THEY WOULD
13 HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD? NOW THIS IS NOT
14 A WIDE OPEN PROCESS WHERE ANY MAP WOULD BE ENTERTAINED,
15 CORRECT?

16

17 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONLY A MEMBER OF THE BOARD CAN SUBMIT
20 THAT.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. I THINK ALL THESE THINGS NEED
23 TO BE CLARIFIED. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. OKAY. NOW WE
2 CAN PROCEED WITH PUBLIC COMMENT?

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. OKAY.
7 PUBLIC COMMENT. JESUS GODFREY. FELICIA FORD. IRENE PANG. IRENE
8 PANG? OSCAR JOHNSON? OSCAR JOHNSON? WALTER BECKTEL, WALTER
9 BECKTEL? DAVID SERRANO? DAVID SERRANO? AND ALAN CLAYTON? ALAN
10 CLAYTON? MR. JOHNSON?

11

12 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YES. MY NAME IS OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE
13 OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR
14 CULTURE CHANGE I'D LIKE TO THANK THE MOST HIGH GOD FOR
15 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, THANK GOD FOR THE OBAMA FAMILY. I'D
16 LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT RELIGION, SOCIAL CONDITION AND BLACK
17 HISTORY. WHAT MADE AMERICA MAKE PROGRESS WAS THE PEOPLE THAT
18 BELIEVED IN GOD AND LIVED THE WAY GOD WANTED THEM TO LIVE.
19 THEY BELIEVED AND THEY OBEYED. WHAT HAS DESTROYED AMERICA IS
20 THE PEOPLE WHO DISBELIEVE IN GOD. DEVIL HAS DESTROYED AMERICA
21 TODAY. WE SHOULD END CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT. WE SHOULD END
22 ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION. WE NEED SOCIAL CHANGE. THIS MUST HAVE
23 BLACK AMERICA BECOME EDUCATED. WE NEED A GOVERNMENT THAT
24 RESPECTS ALL PEOPLE. WE SHOULD END THIS BUSINESS CLIMAX IN
25 AMERICA. CAPITALISM ONLY REPRESENT ECONOMIC SLAVERY. WE SHOULD



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1 END SOCIAL, WE SHOULD END SOCIAL, WE SHOULD END ILLEGAL
2 IMMIGRATION. RECEIVE A DATABASE IN TWO YEARS PRESIDENT BARACK
3 OBAMA ADMINISTRATION HAVE REMOVED 400,000 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS
4 FROM THIS COUNTRY. WE SHOULD SUPPORT OUR PRESIDENT MORE. WE
5 SHOULD SUPPORT HIS RIGHT. WE SHOULD COME TOGETHER AND WORK FOR
6 THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL MANKIND. OUR CONSTITUTION TELL US
7 SEPARATE BUT EQUAL. WE SHOULD HAVE MORE BLACK AUTHORITY OVER
8 BLACK PEOPLE LIFE. WE SHOULD CLEAN UP SKID ROW. WE SHOULD
9 REMOVE THE DRUGS OFF OF SKID ROW. WE SHOULD BRING A BETTER
10 GOVERNMENT AND A GOVERNMENT FOR ALL. AMERICA WOULD BE A BETTER
11 COUNTRY IF WE COULD LIVE BY THE CONSTITUTION THAT GOVERN US
12 AND LITTLE BIT OF AFRICAN HISTORY TO AMERICA. I SEE ALL THE
13 BEAUTIFUL PALM TREES THAT HAVE CROSSED AMERICA TODAY. I THINK
14 OF ALL OF THOSE PALM TREES COME FROM AFRICA. BUT A CORRECT
15 PRONUNCIATION OF THE WORD IS PALMETO TREES. BUT CORRUPT PEOPLE
16 THEY ADD TO AND THEY TAKE FROM. AMERICA WOULD BE A MUCH BETTER
17 COUNTRY. WE COULD LIVE BUY THE CONSTITUTION THAT GOVERN US.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON. MISS PANG?

20

21 **IRENE PANG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M IRENE. I'M CONCERNED THE
22 PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND GOOD GOVERNMENT IS THE
23 GOAL. TO SELECT THE WHITE LETTERS ARE IMPORTANT TO OUR NATION
24 AND RACES. I ALSO CONCERNED ALL MY FRIENDS IN MY FAMILY
25 MEMBERS AND MYSELF HAVE BEEN, WE HAVE BEEN WORKED HARD FOR



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1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NATION OF THE UNITED STATES IN ALL THE
2 RACES. DIVERSITY. I BELIEVE THAT ALL OF US CONTINUOUSLY BE
3 FAITHFUL IN DOING OUR BEST TO OUR NATION AND OUR GOVERNMENTS
4 AND RACES. I ALSO CONCERN MY PERSONAL _____ SAME AS MY
5 FAMILY MEMBERS AND MY FRIENDS. I EXPECT AND APPRECIATE ALL OF
6 YOU THAT SUPPORT AND CONCERN. ALSO, I CONCERNED ABOUT UNITED
7 STATES CITIZEN HAD THE RIGHT TO STAY IN THEIR OWN CITY, THEIR
8 FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE BEEN LIVING IN THE CITY YEARS. AND ALSO
9 HAD MOVE TO OTHER CITY TO LEAVING. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MILDRED LEWIS PASSED AWAY
12 JULY 28TS AT THE AGE OF 105 HAD BEEN A RESIDENT OF OUR COUNTY
13 FOR THE PAST 53 YEARS AND NOW MOVED AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
14 KNABE ADJOURNMENT IN HER MEMORY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
15 ORDERED. YES, SIR.

16

17 **DAVID SERRANO:** IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF
18 THE HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN. CHRIST JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD, AMEN.
19 THE TRUTH IS YESHUA _____ AMEN. JESUS CHRIST IS GOD AMEN. JESUS
20 CHRIST WAS CRUCIFIED AS THE ATONING SACRIFICE FOR THE SINS OF
21 THE WORLD. HE DIED FOR EVERYONE'S SIN. JESUS CHRIST, THE
22 SINLESS LAMB OF GOD. JESUS CHRIST, THE PERFECTLY INNOCENT LORD
23 AND SAVIOR OF THE WORLD, JESUS CHRIST WAS CRUCIFIED FOR ALL
24 THE SINS OF HUMANITY, ALL THE SINS OF THE WORLD. HE WAS
25 CRUCIFIED, HE DIED, WAS BURIED AND ON THE THIRD DAY HE



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1 RESURRECTED, AMEN. AND JESUS CHRIST ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN AND
2 HE SHALL RETURN AGAIN TO JUDGE THE LIVING AND THE DEAD AND TO
3 REWARD THE PROPHETS AND THE SAINTS AND ALL THOSE WHO FEAR HIS
4 HOLY NAME, AMEN. EVERYONE WHO LOVES GOD, AMEN, WILL GET THE
5 REWARD, AMEN. THE REWARD IS ETERNAL LIFE, AMEN, GOD. JESUS
6 CHRIST, FOREVER AND EVER. INTERESTING. SOMETHING VERY
7 INTERESTING IS HAPPENING IN THE HOLLYWOOD ENTERTAINMENT
8 INDUSTRY. THE MAJORITY OF TV STARS, MOVIE STARS, MUSIC STARS,
9 THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WORKING IN THE HOLLYWOOD ENTERTAINMENT
10 INDUSTRY, THAT'S OVER 50 PERCENT, THEY ARE DEVIL WORSHIPERS,
11 THEY ARE SATANIC SERVANTS OF MAMMON, THEY ARE THE WORSHIPERS
12 OF THE KING OF TYRE, WHO IS THE DEVIL DISGUISED AS BIG
13 BUSINESS. THEY ARE SERVANTS OF SATAN. THEY ARE AGNOSTICS,
14 ATHEISTS AND NEW AGERS, SATANIC NEW AGERS AND THE SATANIC
15 SCIENTOLOGISTS. AND IT MAKES SENSE THAT IT'S SAD, IT'S TRAGIC
16 BUT AT THE SAME TIME, JUDGMENT IS GOING TO COME UPON LOS
17 ANGELES WHEN THOSE APOCALYPTIC EARTHQUAKES DESTROY L.A.
18 BECAUSE GOD IS GOING TO DESTROY THE HOLLYWOOD INDUSTRY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. CLAYTON.

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22 **ALAN CLAYTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I JUST WANT TO BRING UP A
23 COUPLE POINTS. THANK YOU. IN LOOKING AT ELECTIONS THAT WERE
24 CONDUCTED WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHERE THERE WERE BOTH- AND
25 I TALKED ABOUT THIS THROUGHOUT THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION AND



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1 ASKED THAT THEY PUT SOME ELECTIONS INTO THE DATABASE BECAUSE I
2 FELT THAT THERE WERE MANY ELECTIONS THAT WERE LEFT OUT. THERE
3 WERE FOUR ELECTIONS THAT WERE PUT IN. ONE OF THEM I THINK IS
4 VERY SIGNIFICANT. AND I JUST WANT TO READ YOU THE DATA. THIS
5 WAS IN A REPORT DONE BY MATT BARRETO YOU HAVE A COPY OF IN
6 TERMS OF THE DELGADILLO- BROWN RACE AND BROWN WAS ELECTED
7 ATTORNEY GENERAL. WHEN YOU LOOK AT L.A. COUNTY AND YOU LOOK AT
8 DISTRICT 1 DELGADILLO GOT 69 PERCENT OF THE VOTE IN THE A-2
9 PLAN AND 64.5 PERCENT IN THE S-1. BUT WHERE IT DIFFERS IS IN
10 DISTRICT 4 WHEREIN THE A-2 PLAN HE GOT 48.5 AND IN THE S-1 HE
11 GOT 62.5. SO THERE'S A 14-POINT DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF HOW
12 DELGADILLO DID. HE WON OVERWHELMINGLY IN DISTRICT 4 IN THE S-1
13 AND LOST IN THE A-2 PLAN. WHEN YOU LOOK AT ANOTHER RACE WHERE
14 IT WAS A LATINO RUNNING AGAINST A NON-LATINO, BOTH OF THEM FOR
15 AN OPEN SEAT, WHICH WAS THE ORTIZ-BOWEN RACE FOR SECRETARY OF
16 STATE, IN DISTRICT 1, ORTIZ GOT 64 PERCENT IN THE S-1 PLAN 56
17 .8. BUT IN DISTRICT 4 IN THE A-2 PLAN ORTIZ GOT 39.1 BUT IN S-
18 1 57 PERCENT. 18 POINT DIFFERENCE. IN ONE SHE LOST IN THE
19 OTHER SHE WON.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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23 **ALAN CLAYTON:** PARTIAL ELECTIONS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WE ARE GOING INTO
2 EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
5 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
6 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-1,
7 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
8 ITEM NUMBER CS-2 AND CS-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
9 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE EACH,
10 AND ITEM NUMBER CS-5, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS
11 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. IN ADDITION, THE MAYOR HAS
12 REQUESTED THAT ITEM NUMBER 36 FROM TODAY'S OPEN SESSION
13 MEETING REGARDING THE LA-RICS DISCUSSION BE MOVED INTO CLOSED
14 SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 SUBSECTION
15 B. THANK YOU.

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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION AUGUST 9, 2011

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION
(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Frank
Nelson v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court
Case No. TC 024128.

This is a personal injury matter arising from an incident at a
bus shelter. (11-3335)

The Board approved settlement of the matter titled Frank
Nelson v. County of Los Angeles. The details of the settlement
will be made available once finalized by all parties.

The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
present.

In closed session, item CS-2 was continued one week to August
16, 2011.

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
Significant exposure to litigation (one case) Claim brought by



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1 iStar Financial related to costs to construct a groundwater
2 well for Waterworks District 36 in Val Verde. (11-3573)

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4 The Board approved settlement of this matter. The details of
5 the settlement will be made available once finalized by all
6 parties. The vote of the Board was unanimous with all
7 Supervisors being present.

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9 In open session, item CS-4 was continued one week to August
10 16, 2011.

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12 No reportable action was taken on item CS-5.

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14 CS-6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
15 (Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
16 Significant exposure to litigation (one case) Identified as
17 Item Number 36 on the posted agenda.

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19 The Board received and filed the report. The vote of the Board
20 was unanimous with all Supervisors being present.

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2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors August 9, 2011,
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
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8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
16 15th day of August 2011, for the County records to be used
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